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### TIME-TABLE.

#### WEEK DAYS

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	NOON	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon...Dep.	6.40	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	7.10
Yau-mat...Dep.	6.50	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.44	7.19
Shatin...Dep.	7.02	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	4.56	7.31
Tai-po...Dep.	7.16	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	5.09	7.44
Tai-po Market...Dep.	7.31	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.53	5.13	7.48
Fanning...Dep.	7.32	10.03	11.18	12.48	2.03	5.23	7.49
Shung-shui...Dep.	7.38	10.07	11.22	12.52	2.07	5.27	7.55
Shum-chun...Arr.	7.42	10.13	11.28	12.58	2.13	5.34	8.06

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	NOON	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shum-chun...Dep.	7.31	9.05	10.39	11.40	3.00	4.17	6.08
Shung-shui...Dep.	7.33	9.12	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	6.15
Fanning...Dep.	7.32	9.16	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.28	6.19
Tai-po Market...Dep.	7.42	9.26	10.59	12.02	3.21	4.38	6.29
Tai-po...Dep.	7.46	9.30	11.04	12.07	3.25	4.42	6.33
Shatin...Dep.	7.59	9.43	11.17	12.21	3.38	4.56	6.46
Yau-mat...Dep.	8.12	9.56	11.29	12.33	3.50	5.08	6.59
Kowloon...Arr.	8.20	9.03	11.37	12.41	4.08	5.16	7.06

#### SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

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Kowloon...Dep.	6.40	9.35	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	7.10
Yau-mat...Dep.	6.50	9.44	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.44	7.19
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### WHY NORWAY HAS RENAMED HER CAPITAL.

The official name of the capital of Norway is no longer Christiania but Oslo, and the name under which the city has been known for three centuries disappears altogether. But this peculiar rechristening of the capital of Norway is not so wonderful as it may seem, writes a Norwegian in a London paper, for Oslo is the old name of the town, older than the town; from time immemorial the name of the place where a fair had been in existence for ages when King Harold Hardrada founded a town in 1047 and built St. Mary's Church, a royal chapel with 14 altars, famous all through the north and in time very rich.

His son, King Olav Kyrr, made Oslo a bishopric and erected a cathedral dedicated to the local saint, St. Hallvard, a kinsman of St. Olav's, whose corpse was buried under the high altar and whose martyrdom was reproduced in the city seal of Oslo and still is to be seen in the seal of Christiania. The cathedral was very rich and had 21 minor altars.

Oslo very soon became a religious centre, and had 9 churches and 3 monasteries when the city was the residence of the Kings of Norway during the 14th century. But the extinction of the male line of the Haralds, Olavs, and Haakons proved fatal to Oslo as to all Norway. King Haakon V. died in 1319 and had no son. He was succeeded by Prince Magnus of Sweden, son of his daughter. Magnus was succeeded by his son Haakon VI., who married Princess Margrete of Denmark.

Their son, Olav V. was heir to Norway, Sweden, and Denmark, but died a boy in 1357 and left his clever mother ruler of the three northern countries. She got her nephew Prince Erik of Pommerania elected King of Norway in 1380, of Denmark and Sweden in 1382. He was married to Philippa, daughter of King Henry IV. of England, but they had no children and the King's nephew was elected to succeed the unpopular Erik in Denmark and Sweden in 1430, in Norway in 1442. Christopher died childless in 1448, and his kinsman Prince Christian of Oldenburg, who married his widow, was elected King of Denmark in 1448, in Norway 1450, in Sweden in 1457. The House of Oldenburg lost Sweden in 1631, but the union between Norway and Denmark under this Royal Family lasted until 1814.

### THE NEW NAME.

The half-German Kings gave privileges to the Hanseatic League that proved injurious to Oslo and national trade; and the forcible introduction of the Lutheran Reformation by King Christian III. in 1537 was ruinous to Oslo and other centres of worship. St. Mary's Church had been looked by the King in 1523 and burnt. Now the churches and cloisters and their properties were confiscated under the Crown; and in 1530 the episcopal palace in Oslo was given to the citizens to use for a stone-pit, and the city was repeatedly destroyed by fires during the wars with Sweden.

Oslo being unfortified, the Kings wanted to move the town nearer under the guns of Akershus fortress, not quite an English mile farther west. And when a great fire had ruined the greater part of Oslo in August, 1624, King Christian IV. ordered the inhabitants to move to Akershus; and he planned the new town and named it after himself—Christiania. But as early as in 1839 P. A. Munch, the great historian, advised that Christiania should again be called Oslo. In 1892, when a great legal reform was carried through in Norway, the jurisdiction of the capital was introduced in 1906 the first constituency in the capital was called Oslo. In 1918 the bishopric of Christiania was again called by the historical name Oslo. The city council had been discussing the name question from 1906 till 1923. But there had always been a certain power of inertia against altering the name.

### A WELCOME CHANGE.

The friction between Denmark and Norway occasioned by the Greenland dispute gave fresh impetus to the movement for getting rid of the names that reminded of the Oldenburg Kings and the union with Denmark, which never was popular in Norway. So when in 1923 there was a division in the name question in the city council of Christiania, 42 voted on each side; but even those who voted in favour of "Christiania" expressed their sympathy for a change but were not willing to effect it till after the tercentenary of Christiania in September, 1924.

In the meantime a private Bill for changing the name of the capital was introduced in the Storting, or Parliament, and was passed in the Lower House, on June 30th, with 31 against 23 votes; and in the Upper House on July 4th, with 21 against 15 votes—the new law coming into effect from 1925. The change has been generally accepted all over Norway, and all corporations and political parties have been equally eager to make it effective at once.

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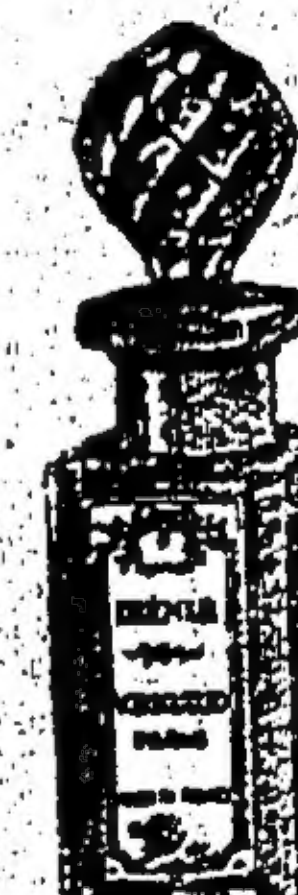
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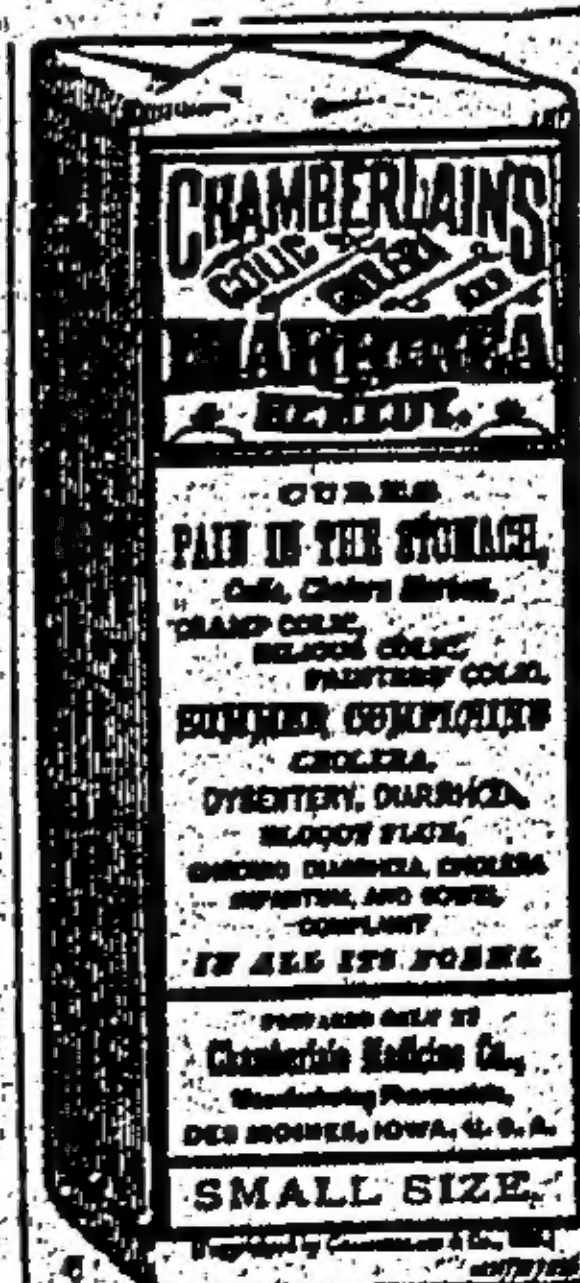
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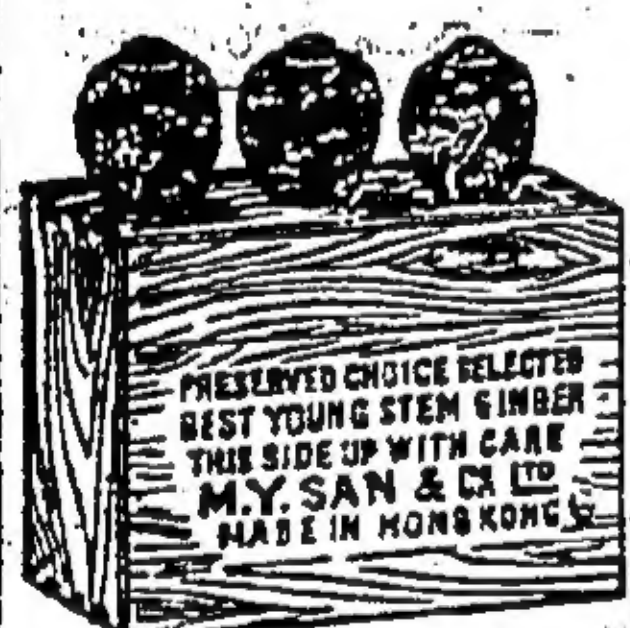
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WHY NORWAY HAS RENAMED HER CAPITAL.

The official name of the capital of Norway is no longer Christiania but Oslo; and the name under which the city has been known for three centuries disappears altogether. But this peculiar rechristening of the capital of Norway is not so wonderful as it may seem, writes a Norwegian in a London paper, for Oslo is the old name of the town, older than the town; from time immemorial the name of the place where a fair had been in existence for ages when King Harold Hardradae founded a town in 1047 and built St. Mary's Church, a royal chapel with 14 altars, famous all through the north and in time very rich. His son, King Olav Kyrre, made Oslo a bishopric and erected a cathedral, dedicated to the local saint, St. Hallvard, a kinsman of St. Olav's, whose corpse was buried under the high altar and whose martyrdom was reproduced in the city seal of Oslo and still is to be seen in the seal of Christiania. The cathedral was very rich and had 24 minor altars.

Oslo, very soon, became a religious centre, and had 9 churches and 3 monasteries when the city was the residence of the Kings of Norway during the 14th century. But the extinction of the male line of the Haralds, Olavs, and Hakons proved fatal to Oslo as to all Norway. King Haakon V. died in 1319 and had no son. He was succeeded by Prince Magnus of Sweden, son of his daughter, Magnus was succeeded by his son Haakon VI., who married Princess Margrete of Denmark.

Their son Olav V. was heir to Norway, Sweden, and Denmark, but died a boy in 1357 and left his clever mother ruler of the three northern countries. She got her nephew Prince Erik of Pomerania elected King of Norway in 1380, of Denmark and Sweden in 1386. He was married to Philippa, daughter of King Henry IV. of England, but they had no children, and the King's nephew was elected to succeed the unpopular Erik—in Denmark and Sweden in 1430, in Norway in 1442. Christopher died childless in 1448, and his kinsman Prince Christian of Oldenburg, who married his widow, was elected King of Denmark in 1448, in Norway 1450, in Sweden in 1457. The House of Oldenburg lost Sweden in 1591, but the union between Norway and Denmark under this Royal Family lasted until 1814.

## THE NEW NAME.

The half-German Kings gave privileges to the Hansatic League that proved injurious to Oslo and national trade; and the forcible introduction of the Lutheran Reformation by King Christian III. in 1537 was ruinous for Oslo and other centres of worship. St. Mary's Church had been looted by the King in 1523 and burnt. Now the churches and cloisters and their properties were confiscated under the Crown; and in 1539 the episcopal palace in Oslo was given to the citizens to use for a school, and the city was repeatedly destroyed by fires during the wars with Sweden.

Oslo being unfortified, the Kings wanted to move the town nearer under the guns of Akershus fortress, not quite an English mile farther west. And when a great fire had ruined the greater part of Oslo in August, 1624, King Christian IV. ordered the inhabitants to move to Akershus; and he planned the new town and named it after himself—Christiania.

But as early as in 1839 P. A. Munch, the great historian, advised that Christiania should again be called Oslo. In 1892, when a great legal reform was carried through in Norway, the jurisdiction of the capital was called the Oslo circuit and not Christiania. When a new system of election was introduced in 1906 the first constituency in the capital was called Oslo. In 1918 the bishopric of Christiania was again called by the historical name Oslo. The city council had been discussing the name question from 1908 till 1923. But there had always been a certain power of inertia against altering the name.

## A WELCOME CHANGE.

The friction between Denmark and Norway, occasioned by the Greenland dispute gave fresh impetus to the movement for getting rid of the names that reminded of the Oldenburg Kings and the union with Denmark, which never was popular in Norway. So when in 1925 there was a division in the name question in the city council of Christiania, 42 voted on each side; but even those who voted in favour of "Christiania" expressed their sympathy for a change but were not willing to effect it till after the tercentenary of Christiania in September, 1924.

In the meantime a private Bill for changing the name of the capital was introduced in the Storting, or Parliament, and was passed in the Lower House, on June 30th, with 81 against 23 votes; and in the Upper House on July 4th, with 21 against 15 votes—the new law coming into effect from 1925. The change has been generally accepted all over Norway, and all corporations and political parties have been equally eager to make it effective at once.

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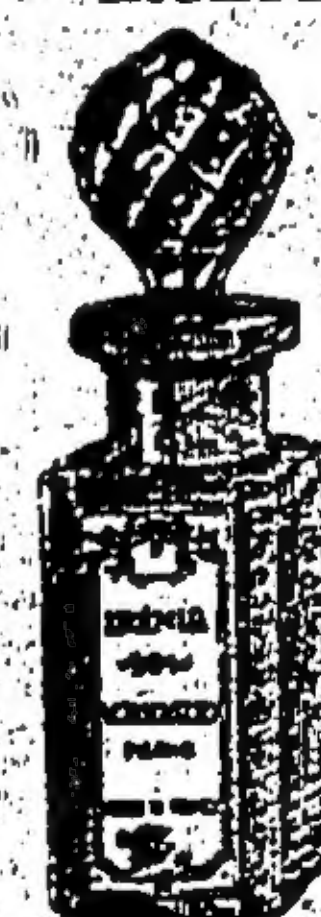
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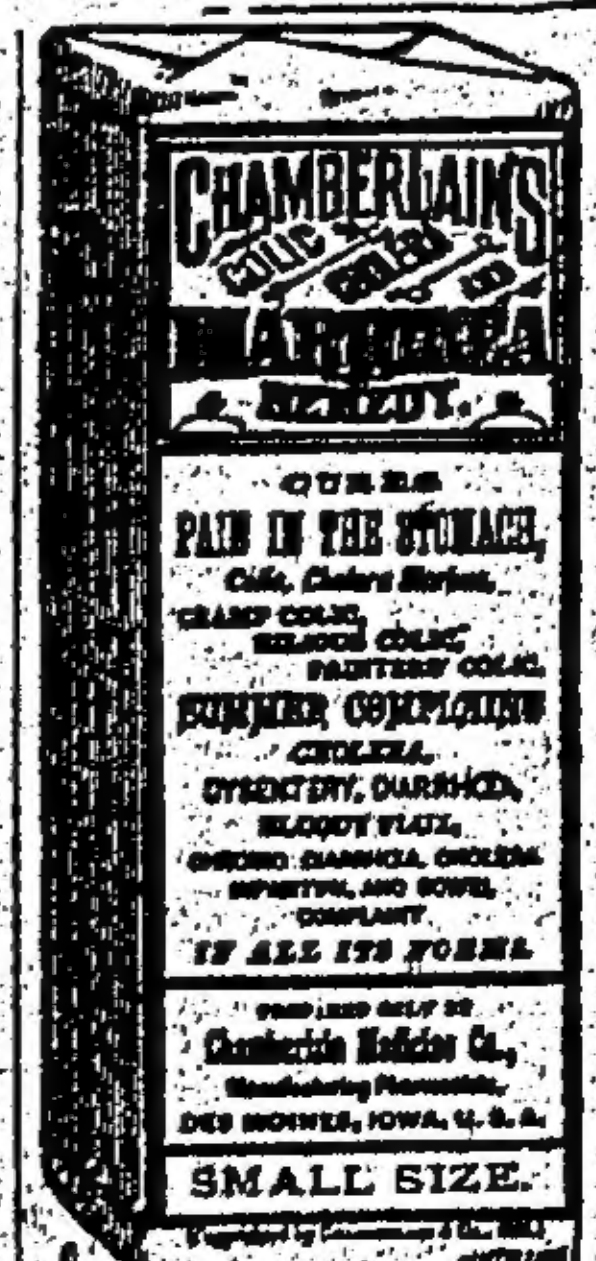
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It is hoped that followers of "Rugger" will turn out to witness this game which promises to be a grand treat.

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## FOOTBALL.

## H.K.F.C. RES. v. RECREIO CLUB.

The following will represent the Hongkong Football Club Reserves in their 2nd division League fixture with the Club de Recreio "A" on the Club ground to-morrow at 2.30 p.m.:—F. Angus; H. Buxton and H. Oswald; D. Lyon (capt.); E. Ralston and G. Puncheon; B. Bell; A. Ferguson; S. O. Hill; J. Johnstone and J. Dixon.

Reserves: J. Douglas, E. Roberts and S. H. Garrod.

The previous intimation has been cancelled.

## KOWLOON F.C. 1st XI. v. EAST SURREYS.

The following have been selected to play for Kowloon in their League engagement on Saturday, at Sokopou. Kick-off at 4 p.m.:—A. Duncan; F. Wheeler and F. Read; A. W. Turner, C. Cagellie and B. Pasco; O. Morris, A. Latham, J. McBride, S. Randle and S. G. Hayes.

## KOWLOON F.C. 2nd XI. v. CLUB DE RECREIO "B."

In this League match, at Kowloon, at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow, the home team will be composed of:—O. Stewart; W. H. Parrott and W. H. Brown; A. Spary, A. W. Brown (capt.) and B. Ramsden; V. East, B. Vickers, C. Millard, A. Fitzgerald and G. Bishop. Reserves: N. Trambitzky, G. White and G. Slipper.

## CRICKET.

## K.C.C. v. NAVY.

On the Kowloon ground to-morrow afternoon the K.C.C. 1st XI. are playing the Navy in the first division of the League. The K.C.C. team consists of:—H. Overly (capt.), J. C. Lyle, A. V. Ramsay, G. Lee, A. R. E. Raven, J. A. A. Dand, B. C. Wicheell, J. C. Fletcher and P. W. Howell.

## K.C.C. "A" v. C.C.C.

The K.C.C. second team, in a friendly match at Happy Valley against the Craigavon Cricket Club will be represented by:—C. Long, L. A. R. Duncan, Raver, J. C. Lyle, A. V. Ramsay, W. E. J. Gorvin, E. J. Edwards, J. Fraser, C. J. Row, D. S. Green, E. G. Ranton and E. G. Jordan.

tively engaged on the same task. For over a year the consortium has been conducting a most careful survey of China's indebtedness and her general financial and political condition in order to be prepared to carry out the object of its existence as soon as conditions are favourable. This report is nearly completed and will be in the hands of the group bankers within the month.

It is entirely natural that China's American creditors should make every legitimate effort to have their claims settled. They have carried the load a long time with little prospect of being relieved. So have the nationals of other countries whose legitimate claims against the Chinese Government have also been ignored and in some cases repudiated. The consortium was called into being by the American Government for just such a situation. It cannot set aside this instrument without destroying its own prestige not only in China but with its three partners. In suggesting a scheme that relegates the consortium to a back seat, somebody blundered.

## A "DAWES PLAN" FOR CHINA. FINANCIAL CONSORTIUM'S WORK.

An article in the *Far Eastern Review* for January, 1925, says:—

It was a foregone conclusion that the proposal of a "Dawes Plan" for straightening out the finances of China would be rejected by the Chinese Government and meet with the disapproval of the consortium. As soon as a Government comes into power which holds out some promise of stability and some prospect of paying its obligations there will be no difficulty in devising a practical plan to place China on a satisfactory financial basis. The situation was summed up tritely two years ago by one of the group leaders in the following words: "If the Chinese might find a security that would justify us in lending them some money, but just as soon as we have a plan all figured out and are ready to slip a few millions into their pockets, a new crowd emerges its way in between and with hands outstretched demand that the coin be paid over to them." This situation has not changed. It is chronic. There is nothing therefore to get excited about and a committee of business men would only make a bad matter ten times worse. The proposal which has received so much publicity loses sight of the following facts:—

At the Paris peace conference, a new financial consortium was created for the purpose of assisting China to get on her feet. With the exception of the American delegates, the representatives of the other groups were experts in Chinese finance, contributing their store of accumulated knowledge to the American chairman in order that the new venture might work out for the benefit of all concerned. Conditions in China were chaotic. There was no government worthy the name. Every available and conceivable source of revenue had been hypotecated. China was bankrupt. As most of the bonds would have to be floated on the American market, after careful consideration, selected the best bond lawyer in the United States to represent the group in Peking. He was instructed to make an exhaustive survey of conditions in co-operation with the other group representatives and in the event of any honourable way being found to lend money to China, to devise an iron-clad bond in that could be sold to the American investor. This gentleman, Mr. Frederick Stevens, duly arrived in Peking, where it did not take long to ascertain that a Chinese loan could not be offered to the investing public without committing a crime that would have permanently ruined the standing of the issuing banks and landed the group leaders in a federal gaol. Mr. Stevens, therefore, sat tight, waiting for a turn of the political wheel which might have provided an opening for the consortium to discharge its functions. All this time he was besieged by interested parties with impossible schemes, until it became necessary for him practically to withdraw from the social life of the capital in order to escape their importunities. When these loan promoters finally understood they could not influence this uncompromising guardian of the national honour, they resorted to innuendo and billingsgate in order to discredit him.

Americans had lent money to China without security and for no particular purpose. American merchants had sold millions of dollars worth of materials to the Chinese Government and could not collect. Some of these men, not all, faced serious financial difficulties as a result of China's lapse from honesty. In the main, they were willing to endorse any plan that would transfer this load to the pockets of the investor, forgetting that the nationals of other countries represented in the consortium were equally entitled to some sort of settlement of their just claims against the Chinese Government. Faithful to his trust and loyal to his colleagues in the other groups, Mr. Stevens rejected all loan proposals pending unification of the country and the reorganization of China's finances under guarantees that all outstanding indebtedness would be taken care of. A campaign was then started to eliminate him and hand over the American leadership in China to others.

Other foreign commercial communities in China accept the heads of their respective financial groups as their leaders in all matters connected with finance. Americans alone refused to accept such leadership. Greater than Mr. Frederick Stevens, greater than J. P. Morgan & Co. and the thirty-seven banks in the American group, greater even than the State Department who created this instrument to carry out its policies in China, stood a little group determined to run things their own way. If J. P. Morgan & Co. and the group refused to accept its leadership, pressure must be brought to bear to compel them to modify their viewpoint. American financiers were publicly advised to ignore the consortium and enter into independent negotiations with the Peking Government. The self-imposed leaders of American interests in China determined to ignore the usual channels of communication with the State Department by going over the heads of the Legation and Consulates and appealing direct to Congress and the public. Something happened about that time. For nearly a year there has been no further attempt to dictate the Far Eastern policy of the American Government from the outside until the success of the Dawes plan for financing Germany provided an opening for advocating the application of a similar remedy to China.

It is immaterial who originated this idea. It is only necessary to point out that after using all the strength of its diplomacy and the financial power of the nation to create the consortium, the State Department could not with honour or propriety make it lose face by requesting a body of business men to draw up a plan for it to work to, especially at the very time when its experts were not (Continued on next column)

## FLY-FISHING IN CHINA.

By "FLYER DE LYS."

The Chinese method of restocking their ponds and lakes every Spring with quantities of fry, and then netting the waters remorselessly in winter, when they are at their lowest, tends to make fish numerous and small. Fortunately, however, netting in China is by no means so efficient as in Europe, and the people, being singularly conservative in habit, cling to their old-fashioned nets, which no doubt the fish—mostly of the intelligent carp type—have in the course of ages become educated to avoid.

There are no trout in Central China, but several kinds of fish rise well to the fly, and offer very much better sport than our own coarse fish. An excellent blue surface feeder is the knife-fish, somewhat from the thinness of the body. This *Hemiculter leuciscus* is a delicate-looking little fellow, green above and silvery beneath, runs six or eight inches long, and swims near the surface. It is very active and lively, and takes a small trout-fly with gleaming readiness, rising with a splash like a burnt trout. Knife-fish feed freely in the evenings on shallows, close to the banks of lakes. The angler has no difficulty in selecting good places to fish. Tromp as the little fish advertise themselves freely, splashing about at the surface in their hunt for insects. The larger ones are too heavy to flick out with a light trout-rod, but have to be drawn to the side and lifted gently ashore. Any small flies will serve: I find a huckle blue upright and a blue hackle with yellow body good killing patterns. The fish are quite nice to eat if fried crisp and brown, and served very hot. One of the charms of fishing for these little knife-fish is that as the afternoon wears on, you will see the waters of much larger fish as they circle over the shallows. If the tail fly is dropped ahead of one of those tracks it is very likely to be taken, and then instead of dragging a knife-fish ashore, one finds oneself engaged with heading red in meeting the struggles of something lively.

When got ashore the fish will prove to be a handsome slender carp with red fins, of half or three-quarters of a pound. I have also taken another carp on the fly, which, I think, is merely the common *Cyprinus carpio*. Nearly every Chinese pond holds murrel (*Ophichthys*). These are ugly, predaceous brutes, with broad, flattened heads, and mouths full of teeth. The Chinese catch them by dipping with a frog attached to a long stiff bamboo. The frog is dabbled up and down on the weeds and water-lilies. I have often caught murrel this way, using a dropper tackle with a lead in the frog's mouth, and the hind-legs tied with a bit of cotton to the put above the hook. A strong slip with finger and thumb at the top of the head is perhaps the kindest and quickest way of killing the frog before baiting. The Chinese only dabble the frog at the top of the water, but I find that with the dropper tackle it is often taken in holes among weeds. A draw motion in holes among weeds, and a small carp live-bait is also very effective for murrel, but there is a much more sporting way of taking these fish, and that is with a large fly, such as one would use for chub. The fly is cast into the clear lanes of open water among weeds, and the murrel having been hooked, it is well to hustle him out at once, or he will bury himself in some mass of vegetation. If thick gut is used, it will not often be cut, for pond murrel do not run over three pounds. With river murrel, which get much larger, gut is not safe, and I have after had even the thickest salmon gut severed by the formidable teeth of large specimens.

I have left nearly to the last, a fish which has afforded me really magnificent sport. This is a large silvery fellow, shaped much like a sea-trout, which I believe to be *Blasiphethys*, though I am not quite certain as to this being the correct identification. This fish is found in lakes, and after heavy rain goes to the mouths of streams running into pools, in order to feed on fry. In these currents of dirty, fast-running water it takes a fly freely. I find a long-shanked, but comparatively light fly, with two hooks set Stewart fashion one behind the other, very effective. The fly should be sunk well and worked very slowly against the current. The fish makes a sort of underwater swim when taking, though sometimes one also sees them come up at the fly with a plunge. These fish have no teeth, but their mouths are very bony, and a larger number got off while being played. One evening in an hour's fishing I hooked six, four of which got off. The two I got out were, I think, the best of the lot; anyhow, they weighed five pounds each, and gave me tremendous light on my little 21 feet split-bamboo trout-rod. One of them got out sixty yards of line in one of his rushes. The largest I have caught so far has been seven and a quarter pounds. This fish also got out a lot of line at one time, and took a long time to play out; it gave, in fact, about the same amount of sport as a salmon of the same size. Unfortunately, these *Blasiphethys* can be fished for successfully only when water is running into a lake, and when it would be considered too dirty at home even for minnow. When the water is clear they nearly always come short at the fly. They must be fished with extraordinary eyesight to take the fly in such thick water.

In fast-running clear streams there is yet another Chinese fish which rises well to the fly. This is the so-called Rainbow Carp (*Oparichthys bidens*), which has acquired its trivial name on account of its bright colouring during the spawning season. It runs up to at least three-quarters of a pound. The fly-fisher in China will be agreeably surprised at the activity and strength of the half and three-quarter pound carp, which he catches on the fly. These who have fished for dace at home find the half-pounders very placid and lethargic as compared with trout. This slender Chinese carp are very different when hooked, and, though they do not jump, yet they give quite as much trouble as trout of similar calibre. (Continued on next column)

## SHANGHAI PEACE PROSPECTS.

## PROMISE TO REMOVE ARSENAL.

The *North-China Daily News* of February 2nd, discussing peace hopes, states:—

"The prospects of a lasting peace in and around Shanghai, and in the provinces of Kiangsu and Chekiang generally, appear brighter now than they have been for months. Sun Chuan Fang of Chekiang is anxious for a peaceful settlement if he can achieve it without loss of face; the Government are equally anxious, and negotiations are far advanced along these desirable lines."

Marshal Wu Kuang Hsin, Minister for War, has been in Shanghai now for two days, during which time he has spent many hours in conference with Sun Chuan Fang's representative. Marshal Wu arrived here on the invitation of Sun. Both parties have placed their cards on the table, and the last word is now awaited from Sun Chuan Fang.

The paper adds that Major-General C. S. Ting, a member of Marshal Wu's staff and one of his advisers, said to one of its representatives on the 1st inst:—

Marshal Wu's offer on behalf of the Government, is Sun may retain his rank as Tungan of Chekiang provided he will withdraw all his troops from Kiangsu province, and agree to drop all hostilities against the Government. Sun agrees to this, but first insists that General Chang Chung Chang shall withdraw his troops from Shanghai, and take his whole army back to Nanjing.

## WU IS WILLING.

Marshal Wu expresses himself as agreeable to this course, but points out that the Fengtien troops must remain in Shanghai and district for some time yet in order to round up the remainder of Chi's defeated army, put down all looting, and generally clean up the mess which is the natural consequence of a war such as this last. Also, before the Fengtien troops move, Sun Chuan Fang must take away his troops from the Kiangnan Arsenal.

Tupan Sun has been notified of this offer, and was invited by telegram to come to Shanghai and meet Marshal Wu here, in order that the details might be finally settled. Sun replied that it would suit him better if Marshal Wu would meet him in Chekiang, and arrange the details in that province.

Sun's reason for this appears to be suspicion. He is afraid that in coming here he would be putting his head into the lion's mouth, and prefers to conduct all personal negotiations on his own ground.

Marshal Wu despatched a further telegram informing Sun that he would receive every consideration, and that Wu would be quite prepared to meet him in the Kiangnan Arsenal itself, where he would have the protection of his own men.

## ARSENAL TO GO.

Marshal Wu definitely states, that as far as it is in the power of the Government to do so, the Kiangnan Arsenal will be removed from Shanghai situated to a city named Chuchow, situated some 500 li from Shanghai. Stress was laid on the point that the Government are most anxious that Shanghai should be freed from all menace of fighting on and around her borders. General Ting stated that this was one of Marshal Wu's principal objects in coming to Shanghai.

## SUN'S OBJECTION TO TROOPS.

In view of the above reported peace negotiations the following circular telegram issued by Sun Chuan Fang and published in the Shanghai Chinese papers on February 1st, is interesting:—

"After the retreat of Marshal Chi Hsieh Yuan at Wushih, he declared that he would have nothing further to do with politics, and, in accordance with the orders of the Central Government, I have been trying to gather up his defeated troops and to repatriate them. It was my hope to secure peace and set up to the peaceful intentions of the Central Government. However, Marshal Lu Yung Hsiang's troops continue to pour into this section of the country and I am unable to conceive what his real intentions are. Now is the time for all to carry out the orders of the Central Government to withdraw all troops from Shanghai, Surging and Woeang. If anybody declares the use of military force in obtaining Shanghai as a military base, would it not be contrary to the orders of the Central Government? Would the Central Government be respected? The argument might be advanced that the troops have come to force Marshal Chi Hsieh Yuan to leave, but now what can they say since Marshal Chi has left Shanghai and all his troops have been scattered? From these facts we can see that the coming of the Fengtien troops is apparently for some ulterior purpose, because it would be useless for them to waste time and money in sending such an enormous army to Shanghai. If Marshal Lu declares war against me I will defend myself. I will not take the aggressive, hence the people should know who is responsible in case of trouble."

General Sun is also said to have telegraphed to Marshal Tunn, Chi Jui baying him to withdraw the Fengtien troops at once to avoid all unpleasantness. Should the Fengtien army continue to come this way, he can do nothing else but take preparations to defend his people."

[With regard to the Arsenal, a *Reuter's* cable on another page states that the building has already been handed over. (E.H.D.P.)



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### CLAIMS AGAINST TAXI CO. DRIVER'S "EMPTY MILEAGE"

Judgment was delivered yesterday morning by His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz, in the case in which Tsang Wing, a chauffeur, formerly in the employ of the Hongkong and Kowloon Taxicab Company, sued the firm for \$780, being \$480 damages for wrongful dismissal and \$300 deposit paid by plaintiff to defendants. Plaintiff also claimed the costs of the action.

His Lordship said that, after giving the matter his best consideration, it was his opinion that according to a clause in the contract plaintiff was bound to use care as a reasonably skilful driver would do. If in any of the specified matters—petrol consumption, tyre consumption or wear and tear of chassis, etc.—he had not shown ordinary care and skill, then under the clause the Company might summarily terminate the agreement. But nothing of this kind was alleged against plaintiff.

His breach of duty was alleged to be that compared with his running expense, his takings were too low, or as it was put by the Company, his empty mileage was in excess of his fare mileage, and the result was a loss to the Company on the running of his cab.

The early record of plaintiff's work showed his earning capacity as good if he exerted himself, but later figures showed that he was not doing his best or giving that quality of service his employers had a right to require. Looking at the facts, he was bound to find that justification had been proved.

It was admitted that the Company had in hand \$130 of the plaintiff's money, which they could not claim to retain, and this sum had not been paid into the Court. There must be judgment for plaintiff for this amount, with the consequential order as to costs, except those of this reserved judgment.

In a similar claim against the Company by Pang Siu, also previously employed as a chauffeur, His Lordship gave judgment for defendants with costs.

### COLLISION OFF CASTLE PEAK. FIVE CHILDREN DROWNED.

A collision occurred in the early hours of Wednesday morning off Castle Peak, when the Indo-China s.s. *Kwong Sang* struck a trading junk, and cut off the stern, as a result of which five children were drowned. The junk, one of 100 tons capacity, or thereabouts, had anchored about a mile off Castle Peak, in the course of her journey from Yau-mat to Canton.

The master, with his wife, sister-in-law and nine children, slept aft, and the crew of eleven forward. The twelve occupants of the after part of the vessel were thrown into the water; and of these, the three adults and four children were rescued by the crew, who were in safety, the vessel not being damaged below the waterline and still remaining afloat.

Three boys and two girls, however, were drowned.

### HELENA MAY MUSICALS.

There was a large attendance at the Helena May Institute yesterday evening, when another of the periodical musicals was held.

The programme was an excellent one and greatly appreciated, each performer being enthusiastically received, while encores were frequently called for.

The items were as under:  
Piano Solo—Minuet in G... Paderewski.  
Mrs. HATTERLEY-SMITH.  
Mezzo-Soprano Solo—  
"The Magic of your Voice"

Hardy.  
Mrs. FLEMING.

Baritone Solo—  
"The Blind Ploughman"

Coningsby Clarke.  
Mr. T. H. PIERCE.

Soprano Solo—  
(a) Far off Tido... Easthope Martin.

(b) Well-a-day... Easthope Martin.

Mrs. STANLEY COLLETT.

Tenor Solo—  
"Molly Brannigan"

Villiers Stanford.

Mr. D. M. RICHARDS.

Piano Solo—Two English Dances

Boger Quilter.

Mrs. HATTERLEY-SMITH.

Baritone Solo—"Song of the Wild"

Eric Costes.

Mr. T. H. PIERCE.

Soprano Solo—"Sing Joyous Bird"

Montague Phillips.

Mrs. STANLEY COLLETT.

Tenor Solo—  
"We'll go no more a-roving"

Maud Vallerie White.

Mr. D. M. RICHARDS.

Mezzo-Soprano Solo—  
"There's a Land"

Allison.

Mrs. FLEMING.

### ALLEGED ROBBERY.

#### WOMEN'S JEWELLERY STOLEN IN EMPTY HOUSE.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday afternoon, two Chinese were charged with committing an armed robbery on January 13th, at an unoccupied house at Nam Cheong Street, Sham Shui Po, when they stole jewellery from two Chinese women.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ appeared for defendants, who pleaded Not Guilty.

It was stated that the first defendant at the time of the affair, was living at the Kuan Toi Boarding House, and the other at Nam Cheong Street, near where the robbery took place. On the afternoon of January 13th, one defendant is alleged to have gone to a certain house, and on his invitation, the girl, Chan San Yek, accompanied by her amah, Muk Tui, went with him to the Tung Sing restaurant and had a meal with him, the second defendant, and a third man, who is missing now. After the meal the party went to Nam Cheong Street to inspect the floor of an unoccupied house, which one of the defendants said he was going to live in.

While there, one of the defendants and the third man are alleged to have seized the amah, stuffed some cotton wool in her mouth and compelled her to hand over her jewellery. In the meanwhile, the other defendant is said to have seized the other complainant in the kitchen and robbed her of a gold bracelet, valued at \$30. This was the only jewellery taken from the girl. On leaving, the men prevented the women from raising an alarm, by threatening them that if they left the house before fifteen minutes had expired, there would be men waiting for them on the first floor of the house. Eventually information was given to the police and one defendant was arrested on a night steamer about to sail for Canton. On him was found a pawn ticket for a gold watch, belonging to one of the complainants, which he had pawned for \$20.

On being taken to the police station, he persisted in writing himself a statement of what he knew about the affair, and afterwards made another lengthy statement in reply to the charge. As a result of information he gave, the arrest of the other defendant was effected. Other pawn tickets relating to several of the stolen articles were found; while some of the missing jewellery was found in a box at the defendant's residence. All the stolen articles have since been recovered.

After preliminary evidence had been taken, the defendants were remanded until this afternoon.

### MARINE COURT.

#### INDIAN GUARDS SENT TO PRISON.

The Marine Magistrate (Lieut. Comdr. G. F. Hole) sentenced two Indian guards of the s.s. *Bornes* to one month's hard labour apiece on charges of absconding themselves from the ship without permission when in Haiphong.

A boatmistress was fined \$5 for tying up alongside a vessel at a spot where there were already five boats moored. On a charge of carrying pigwash during prohibited hours, the master of the steam launch *Chingpo* was fined \$15.

Fines of \$10 each were imposed on two junkmasters for anchoring in the Southern Fairway.

### CINEMA NOTES.

#### WORLD THEATRE.

"Being Respectable" a Warner Brothers Classic of the Screen, is scheduled for appearance at the World Theatre today. The story deals with the maelstrom of emotions to which even respectable people are liable. Louise Fazenda, who is described as the queen of comedy, plays the leading rôle.

#### QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Alice Lake, who heightened her fame in Metro's productions of "Should a Woman Tell?" and "Shore Acres," is to be seen in a new rôle at the Queen's Theatre today, when the new Metro special, "The Mist Wife," will be the feature. The story is of a young Western man who marries into a wealthy Eastern family, a family excessively careful of its manners, its accent and its traditions. The little Westerner discovers the family isn't quite as careful of its morals. "The Mist Wife" is a picture of Julie Herne's successful stage play, "The Outsider."

#### CORONET THEATRE.

At all the sessions at the Coronet yesterday there were very large houses for the initial screening of Rex Ingram's latest photo-play, "Trifling Women." Its success will be greater before the season comes to an end, for it is a powerful and well conceived drama. The principal character of "Trifling Women" is Zareba, the crystal gazer, but she succeeded in causing much more harm than the extraction of a few dollars from innocents of her own sex. She exploited the masculine sex for sheer devilment and money. But it led to the removal from her path of some of her admirers, and in the end proved her own undoing.

### HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY. SOUND FINANCIAL POSITION. ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Horticultural Society took place yesterday evening in the Board Room at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Mr. J. A. Plummer presiding.

The Chairman said that he had first to apologise for the late date for which this meeting was called, but this was owing to the absence from the Colony of officials and other members of the Society. The position of the Society financially was sound. They completed last year with the substantial balance of \$1,638. He thanked the retiring President (Mr. Ho Kom Tong), the Hon. Secretary and the Hon. Treasurer for their work in doing so well for the Society, but he did not want members to run away with the idea that this represented untold wealth. They were fortunate last year in obtaining four new life members, and he hoped they would get as many this year.

The show last year was held at the Volunteer Headquarters, and they had been promised the same ground again this year, subject to building operations in progress at the present time. The show last year, on the whole, might be reckoned as a success, though the entries were smaller. He hoped this year they would have record entries and a large attendance. He would like to convey a message to the general public, namely, to keep March 3rd free for the flower show, and to look round their gardens to see whether they had anything to exhibit. New schedules were now in the Press and would be posted to members in the course of a few days. Those desirous of joining the Society should send subscriptions to the Secretary. The annual subscription of \$5 was now due.

He thanked Lt.-Col. Bird and officers for the use of the Volunteer Parade Ground, the Captain Superintendent of Police, the Superintendent of the Botanical Gardens, who so willingly assisted in various ways last year, and all who helped the Society in any way.

The following officials were elected: President, Mr. F. A. Plummer; Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. B. C. Hornell; and Hon. Treasurer, Mr. J. P. Piercy. General Committee: Mrs. Aubrey, Mrs. Harrington, Mrs. Dyer, Messrs. H. Reid, H. Green, E. L. Sim, F. P. de V. Soares, J. P. Robinson, F. L. Squibb and Ho Kom Tong.

Mr. Dowbiggin, on behalf of the ordinary members, expressed thanks to the outgoing President and officials.

### AVIATION IN KWANGTUNG. HIGH OFFICIALS' FIRST FLIGHT.

The *Canton Gazette* in its issue of Wednesday last, states that Mr. Hu Han Min, Civil Governor, and General Hsu Shung Chi, Commander-in-Chief of the Cantonese armies, had an insight, on Tuesday, into the Air Administration's various activities, and experienced their first aeroplane flight. The report reads:

A new chapter in the history of aviation in this province (Kwangtung) was opened yesterday when two of the highest officials of the Government took their first flight in an aeroplane and obtained for the first time a wonderfully instructive view of this ancient city.

Yesterday, the Civil Governor, Mr. Hu Han Min, and the Commander-in-Chief of the Cantonese armies, General Hsu Shung Chi, paid a visit of inspection to the aviation field at Taishatan, where the activities of the Air and Armoured Force Administration are concentrated.

Upon arriving at Headquarters, Governor Hu and General Hsu were received by Chief Officer Lee Mei, who is in charge of aviation matters, in the absence of Mr. Eugene Chen, the Director of the Air Administration.

After the workshops and sheds in the aviation field were gone over by the visitors, the fleet of aeroplanes were lined up for inspection and review. The force of Chinese aviators and pilots also paraded. These young men have been constantly on the job and receiving intensive training at the hands of German and Russian experts, who are veterans and "aces" of the European war.

Each Chinese aviator and pilot went through various exercises and demonstrations with their respective machines. The facility and ease with which they handled their machines, taking off and landing without the slightest difficulty greatly impressed the distinguished visitors. Each of the machines that went up in the air performed the usual daring "stunts," looping the loop and describing all sorts of circles; besides giving demonstrations of military operations by the bombing planes.

Flights at various speeds were made over the city and before long, Governor Hu and General Hsu were as enthusiastic as the professional aviators on the subject of aviation. Thereupon the acting director, Mr. Lee Mei, invited them to take an air trip, and, nothing loth, they readily consented.

Governor Hu and General Hsu went up in separate aeroplanes, and were piloted all over the city limits, enabling them to obtain a remarkable view of the city from the air. Upon landing both agreed that they had an exhilarating and thrilling experience.

### CANTON NEWS.

#### [FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

#### MEDICAL TRAINING FOR WOMEN.

The Commissary of Interior has approved of the application of Dr. Lai Kwok Chi and Dr. Yang Man Chong, two native physicians, for the opening of a school of Chinese medicine in Canton exclusively for women. It is said that Chinese medical science is more than 1,000 years old, but this Canton school will probably be the first of its kind in China. The teaching of Western medical science to Chinese women, however, had its start nearly 50 years ago, when Dr. John G. Kerr of Canton Hospital in Canton had a school in connection with the hospital, for both men and women. About 30 years ago, Miss (Dr.) Mary Fulton started the Yan Chai or Hackett Medical College for Women in Canton.

#### INFANTS' CORPSES ABANDONED.

The Sanitation Division of the Department of Public Health in Canton, in addition to other duties, picked up 81 corpses of infants during the month of January. Other work during the month included the carting away of 198,188 piculs of refuse and the destroying of 17,368 dead rats.

#### STRIKE OF SILK OPERATIVES.

The six large silk filatures in Koon-shan, Nambui, near Canton City, are now suspending operations because of the refusal of the several thousand factory girls to resume work until the half dozen girls arrested for leading a recent strike are released. The girls, arrested, have told the Magistrate of Nambui that they acted as leaders of the strike at the request of their fellow workers.

#### VACCINATION.

Vaccination as a means of disease prevention is now well accepted even by the less enlightened in Canton City, as shown in the annual report of the Shun Ching Charitable Association, an institution serving the poorer section of the community. It shows that the institution vaccinated 4,711 persons in 1924, in addition to caring for 47,302 out-patients and filling 35,142 prescriptions free of charge.

#### "INVOLUNTARY SERVITUDE."

In the last few days in Canton more than 600 coolies have been pressed into involuntary servitude by mercenaries for service on the Eastern front. In one case, seven Reds engaged seven rickshas to take them to the Canton-Kowloon railway station from the West Bund, and when they reached their destination, they asked the coolies to enter the station to collect the fares. The two coolies who followed the Reds to the train were taken away.

#### RICE JUNKS COMMANDEERED.

About 50 rice junks with their crews were commandeered at Fongtsuen, near Canton City, on February 2nd, for troop transportation service from Canton City to the East River districts, where the anti-Bolsheviks are concentrating for the attack on Canton. Fears are expressed that this will seriously affect the food situation in towns and villages depending wholly or partly on imported rice.

#### A NEW "MALOO."

The Sup Sam Hong Street in Canton, once the foreign business section in the factory days of the ancient city of "Rams," but recently destroyed during the conflict between the troops and the Canton Merchants Volunteers, is to be rebuilt as a modern "maloo" or avenue. A special assessment on property owners bordering the proposed "maloo," is to be made to cover the cost. The General Chamber of Commerce of Canton will act as trustees for this road building fund, while the Municipal Commissioner of Public Works will superintend the construction and let out contracts. Canton City now has about 21 miles of modern roads passable for all kinds of modern vehicles, including a motor bus service. Sup Sam Hong, before the fire was occupied by native banks of the money charging class and dealers in sea edibles. One of the leading Chinese banks, the Bank of East Asia, is also at Sup Sam Hong. The character of its construction enabled it to escape destruction. The rebuilding work in the modernization of the six streets around Ching Yuen Kai, next to Sup Sam Hong will be completed soon.

#### GEN. LI FOOK LAM AND COIN.

A paragraph, translated from a Chinese paper, appeared among the "Canton News" from our Chinese Correspondent, which was published in the *Hongkong Daily Press* of December 25th, 1924, implying that "coin as fine as 80 per cent of the regular standard" had been turned out by General Li Fook Lam in Canton.

Since the publication of this paragraph, we have been served with a Writ of Summons at the suit of General Li Fook Lam for damages for a libel contained in the paragraph. No previous communication from General Li Fook Lam was made to us, but we accept the writ as an emphatic and truthful declaration by General Li Fook Lam that the statement in the paragraph, as quoted by us, is false and without foundation. That being so we unreservedly withdraw all the imputations contained in the paragraph, and offer our sincere apologies to General Li Fook Lam, and express our deep regret that the *Hongkong Daily Press* has given to this Chinese Press report the publicity of its columns.

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THE Steamship "GEMMA (2)" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.  
 Goods not cleared by the 12th February, 1925, will be subject to Rent.  
 All broken, chafed and damaged Packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th February, 1925, at 10 A.M., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.  
 Claims against the Steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of Steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.  
 No Fire Insurance will be effected by the Underwriter in any case whatever.  
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by J.A.V. CHINA-AMSTERDAM LIJN, General Agents.  
 Hongkong, 4th February, 1925. [1825]

## S.S. "FORTHOS."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from MARSEILLE, LERES, &c., and also Cargo from BORDEAUX, ex s.s. "ANTINOUS," in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods will be landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.  
 Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless Intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, To-day, requesting it to be landed.  
 Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter. Goods remaining unclaimed after Wednesday, the 11th February, 1925, at Noon, will be subject to Rent and Landing Charges.  
 All Claims must be sent in to me on or before Saturday, the 14th instant, or they will not be recognized.  
 All damaged Packages will be examined on Wednesday, the 11th instant, at 10.00 A.M., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.  
 No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
 R. ROULEFUSSE,  
 Hongkong, 5th February, 1925. [1829]

## RAJAB ABDOL CURREEM, DECEASED.

ALL Persons having Claims against the Estate of the above named Deceased are Requested to send Particulars of their Claims to the Underwriter, Solicitors for the Executors, before the 23rd FEBRUARY, 1925.  
 DRACONS,  
 1, Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong.

## INTIMATIONS

## NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

WE HAVE THIS DAY REMOVED to Ground Floor of CHINA BUILDING (Facing Queen's Theatre).  
 C. E. WARREN & CO., LTD.  
 Sanitary Engineers.  
 Hongkong, 1st February, 1925. [1798]

## NOTICE.

THE DUNLOP RUBBER CO. (CHINA), LTD. hereby Give Notice of Having REMOVED Their Office to—  
 HONGKONG HOTEL ANNEXE BUILDING,  
 Second Floor,  
 Entrance Next Door to HONGKONG HOTEL,  
 Des Vaux Road.  
 Hongkong, 29th January, 1925. [1789]

## HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER of MEMBERS of HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED, will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 14th FEBRUARY to FRIDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1925, both days inclusive.  
 By Order of the Board,  
 W. F. SIMMONS,  
 Secretary.  
 Hongkong, 4th February, 1925. [1819]

## HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that The ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in THIS COMPANY will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, HONGKONG, on SATURDAY, the 7th FEBRUARY, 1925, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1924.  
 The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd FEBRUARY to the 6th FEBRUARY (both days inclusive), during which period No Transfer of Shares can be Registered.  
 JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
 General Managers.  
 Hongkong, 22nd January, 1925. [1786]

## HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that The ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the CHINA BUILDING, HONGKONG, on SATURDAY, the 7th FEBRUARY, 1925, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1924.  
 The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 9th FEBRUARY, to SATURDAY, the 21st FEBRUARY, 1925 (both days inclusive), during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.  
 By Order of the Board of Directors,  
 A. H. BARLOW,  
 Chief Manager.  
 Hongkong, 2nd February, 1925. [1802]

## WANTED.

WANTED Good All Round Experienced DRAUGHTSMAN. Applicants should state Age, Experience and Salary Required. Applications accompanied by Copies of Recent Testimonials should be addressed to THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF WORKS, H.M. DOCKYARD, Hongkong. [1820]

## TO BE LET.

FOR 7 Months from APRIL 1st, No. 30, LUGARD ROAD, THE PEAK. FURNISHED BUNGALOW, Modern Sanitation, Apply—  
 T. E. PEARCE,  
 JOHN D. HUTCHISON & CO.  
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## TO LET.

STORAGE SPACE on Marine Lots with Godowns and Chinese Houses TO LET from 31st DECEMBER.  
 W. S. BAILEY & CO., LTD.,  
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## TO LET.

THREE LARGE ROOMS Excellent situated for Office on the 2nd Floor of "ST. GEORGE'S" BUILDING Facing 1st House Street and CHATER ROAD. For Terms and Particulars, apply to HONGKONG & TERRITORIAL ESTATES, LIMITED, "St. George's" Building. [1723]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 9th Day of February, 1925, at 2 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Kan Fui Shuk in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.  
 G. GREENHILL,  
 Secretary.  
 Hongkong, 15th January, 1925. [1809]

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Lot No.	Area in Acres	Area in Sq. Yds.	Area in Sq. Fms.	Area in Sq. Rds.	Area in Sq. M.	Area in Sq. C.	Area in Sq. L.	Area in Sq. T.	Area in Sq. B.	Area in Sq. P.	Area in Sq. S.	Area in Sq. D.	Area in Sq. C.	Area in Sq. L.	Area in Sq. T.	Area in Sq. B.	Area in Sq. P.	Area in Sq. S.	Area in Sq. D.
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## INTIMATIONS

## NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.  
 RACE MEETING 1925.  
 FEBRUARY 16th, 17th, 18th and 21st.

TICKETS of Admission to the Public Enclosure may be obtained from Messrs. KELLY & WALSH or at the Gate. Price—\$3.00 per day.  
 Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform \$1.00 per day.  
 No One Admitted without a Ticket to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.  
 LINSTAED & DAVIS,  
 Treasurers.  
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## NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.  
 RACE MEETING 1925.  
 FEBRUARY 16th, 17th, 18th, and 21st.

MEMBERS' Badges of Admission are now ready and may be obtained by those Members who have not already received them, from Messrs. LINSTAED & DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings.  
 C. B. BROWN,  
 Secretary.  
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## NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.  
 RACE MEETING 1925.  
 FEBRUARY 16th, 17th, 18th, and 21st.

THE Stewards request the pleasure of the presence of the Ladies at the Races.  
 Hongkong, February 2nd, 1925. [180 8s]

## NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.  
 RACE MEETING 1925.  
 FEBRUARY 16th, 17th, 18th, and 21st.

PASSES for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. LINSTAED & DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings. No Servants will be allowed inside the Enclosure of the Race Course during Race Days WITHOUT TICKETS.  
 These Tickets are only available for Servants while in attendance on their employers or when on duty at the various stands.  
 Any Chinese found loitering about with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit them and holders thereof will be removed from the Enclosure.  
 C. B. BROWN,  
 Secretary.  
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## NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.  
 RACE MEETING 1925.  
 FEBRUARY 16th, 17th, 18th, and 21st.

MEMBERS have the Privilege of introducing Two Non-members to the Members' Enclosure.  
 A limited number of Tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. LINSTAED & DAVIS, Alexandra Buildings, on or before SATURDAY the 14th of FEBRUARY, 1925, Price \$10.00 per day or \$30.00 for the Meeting.  
 LINSTAED & DAVIS,  
 Treasurers.  
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## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Club will be held in the JOCKEY CLUB ROOM, HONGKONG CLUB ANNEXE, on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10th, 1925, at 5.30 P.M., for the purpose of Confirming the Resolutions passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting held on 22nd January, 1925.  
 By Order,  
 C. B. BROWN,  
 Secretary.  
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## THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JAMES MATHESON & CO., Ltd., on TUESDAY, 10th FEBRUARY, 1925, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1924.  
 The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 23rd January to TUESDAY, 10th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.  
 By Order of the Board of Directors,  
 L. S. GREENHILL,  
 Secretary.  
 Hongkong, 15th January, 1925. [1809]

## KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.

THE ANNUAL MEETING  
 WILL BE HELD IN  
 ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH HALL,  
 KOWLOON,  
 ON  
 MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9th,  
 AT 5 P.M.

Members and Kowloon Residents Generally are Cordially Invited to Attend.  
 A. MORLEY,  
 Hon. Secretary.  
 Hongkong, January 31st, 1925. [1795]

## INTIMATIONS

## WATSON'S

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## WHISKY

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## A. S. WATSON &amp; CO., LTD.

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ESTABLISHED 83 YEARS.

## BIRTH.

UNPLEY.—At Shanghai, on January 30th, to Captain and Mrs. UNPLEY, a daughter.

## MARRIAGES.

MECKLENBURGH-JAMESON.—At the Peak Church, on Thursday, February 6th, by the Rev. H. Copley Moyle, HORACE LESLIE, second son of the late SAMUEL MECKLENBURGH and Mrs. MECKLENBURGH, of Bristol, England, to PHYLLIS BEATRICE, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. I. D. JAMESON, of London. [1830]

POTTER-THRENEOFF.—At H.B.M. Consulate-General, Shanghai, on January 31st, HENRY EDWARD POTTER, son of the late W. POTTER, of Dover, England, to ELIZABETH THRENEOFF, of Ider, Russia.

## DEATHS.

PACKWOOD.—At Shanghai, on January 31st, CLEO PATRICIA PACKWOOD, aged 2 years and 3 months.

D'OLIVEIRA.—At Shanghai, on February 1st, WENCESLAUS MARTINS D'OLIVEIRA (ALAI), aged 50, of the Chinese Postal Service.

Hongkong Office: 14, Chater Road.

London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 6th, 1925.

## "HONGKONG PIRACY MUDDLE."

This is the heading that our Shanghai contemporary, the N.C. Daily News, has given to a leading article on the subject of the Report of the Minority of the Committee appointed to deal with the vexed question of piracy. Our contemporary sums up in the following paragraph:

"Thus we have the people who really are concerned and who really should know—the shipowners, the officers, and experienced Naval authorities—unreservedly advocating that the present system be scrapped in its entirety, that the Navy should take over all piracy prevention work on the water, and that the Hongkong Police should confine their activities in the matter of shore presentations and searches; and the Hongkong Government, in face of opposition of the result of experience, maintaining its adamant policy of adhering to a system which indubitably has been proved unsound, unnecessarily expensive and generally unpopular. There is possibly some good reason for the stand adopted, but it is difficult to discover; though it has been suggested that the solution is to be found behind the fact that the Hongkong Government is answerable to the Colonial Office and H.M. Navy to the Foreign Office, through the Admiralty in London. The subject, however, is too vitally important for departmental or any

other considerations to bear undue influence; and if the Hongkong Government cannot or will not come out into the open and justify its present apparently unreasonable attitude, it is strongly to be hoped that the representations which we understand are likely to be made in London at an early date will result in the clearing up of a situation which should never have arisen."

These observations seem to us to be scarcely justified by the facts as they have been publicly reported from time to time. It is news to us, at all events, that the Navy, as is stated in an earlier paragraph of our contemporary's article, "has been consistently ignored in the matter." Until we saw the observations of the Senior Naval Officer in charge of the West River patrols, printed as an appendix to the Minority Report published last week, we were under the impression that the Colonial Government had been guided in the matter of its measures of prevention largely by the advice of the Naval Authorities. At all events at the Coroner's inquiry held into the piracy of the *Tai Lee* in March last year, a memorandum was read, which had been drawn up by the Naval Intelligence Officer "in his capacity as representing the Naval Authorities," at the request of the Commander-in-Chief. This memorandum embodied the following expression of opinion: "It is the opinion of the Commander-in-Chief that the Regulations are sufficient when combined with efficient police measures and reasonable discipline, determination and co-operation on the part of the officers to put a stop to piracy." The Government can hardly be blamed for following so clear and definite an opinion given by the Naval Authorities. We should be surprised to learn that the Colonial Government had any strong objection to the Naval Authorities' undertaking the patrols that the Minority Report so strongly recommends. Our own interpretation of the "muddle" would be that the Naval Authorities have been reluctant to saddle themselves with the expense of maintaining these patrols, and on that account were too easily persuaded that the authorities of the Colony could cope with the problem by such measures as are embodied in the Piracy Regulations of the Colony. Experience

has brought its lessons and the Minority Report presents a most convincing argument for a change. The whole matter, it seems to us, resolves itself into a question as to whether the expense of an efficient patrol system is to be borne by the Colony or on the Naval Estimates, and it is to be hoped that the Minority Report will result in a speedy decision in the matter.

Mrs. McEwen, of Leys Lodge, Nathan Road, Kowloon, reports the theft of \$450 from her house.

The return of notifiable diseases in the Colony for the 24 hours ended February 4th shows 3 cases of enteric fever and 1 case of cerebro-spinal fever, all Chinese.

A Chinese has been admitted to the Government Civil Hospital as the result of bites by dogs belonging to Messrs. Fowler and Glendinning at East Point Terrace.

In the Summary Court yesterday, before the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Gompertz, an Indian dealer claimed \$137.87 for goods sold and delivered. Defendant, Mr. Joseph P. Remedios, said plaintiff brought him samples, on the strength of which he ordered a case of dates, but when they arrived they were found to be bad. Defendant declined to pay. His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiff for \$120 and costs.

The s.s. *Tung On* was about to leave Canton for Hongkong at 4.15 p.m. on Wednesday when it was discovered that the No. 2 hold was on fire. The Canton Fire Brigade appeared ten minutes later, and managed to extinguish the outbreak entirely by 6 p.m. Little damage was done. The *Tung On* arrived in Hongkong shortly after midnight, carrying all her passengers except a few who had taken alarm and transferred to another ship. The cause of the fire is not known.

Holders of advance tickets for the Gala Performance of "St. Joan" on Monday next are reminded that booking opens at Anderson's this morning at 9 A.M. The sale of advance tickets kindly undertaken by a number of ladies, has been so successful that a large attendance is assured and holders of these tickets, which must be exchanged for numbered seats, are therefore advised to book early. The ladies who have been selling these tickets are requested to communicate the result of their sale, at the earliest possible date, to Mrs. Holyoak (Tel. Peak 10).

## WEDDING.

## MECKLENBURGH-JAMESON.

A pretty wedding took place yesterday afternoon at the Peak Church, when Miss Phyllis Beatrice Jameson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. I. D. Jameson, of Finchley, London, and niece of the late Mr. Percy Ogden, of the B.A.T. Co., Ltd., London, was married to Mr. Horace Leslie Mecklenburgh, son of the late Mr. Samuel Mecklenburgh and Mrs. Mecklenburgh, of Bristol. The bridegroom is the manager of the R.A.T. Company's Swatow branch.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. F. A. Perry, manager of the British-American Tobacco Co. (China), Ltd., Hongkong, was charmingly attired in silver lace, over complete slip of silver tissue, with ostrich feather trimming and sprays of silver flowers at waist line. She also wore a beautiful embroidered net veil, with clusters of orange blossoms, on either side of the head and finished with a Russian head-dress of pearls and sapphires. She carried a bouquet of large white roses and maidenhair fern, with white satin streamers.

She was attended by Mrs. F. A. Perry (Matron of Honour), the Misses Peggy Sim and Eleanor Hegarty, charming little flower girls, and Miss June Perry and Master Pat Hegarty (train bearers).

Mrs. Perry was dressed in black satin with long black fringe trimming, and white embroidery, with a black cape to match, and black hat, trimmed with black ostriches. The little Misses Sim and Hegarty wore shell pink Georgette frocks, with forget-me-not garlands in the hair. The train-bearers, who were even tinier, were dressed in powder blue, trimmed with shell pink. The flower girls carried bouquets of pale pink roses.

The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle, the "best man" being Mr. Gilbert Travers.

A reception took place afterwards at the residence of Mr. F. A. Perry, No. 300, The Peak. The happy couple will leave for Swatow in a few days. The bride's going away dress is of cinnamon brown georgette, with hat to match.

The bridegroom's presents were:—To the bride: Platinum wrist watch, encrusted with diamonds; To the flower girls: A gold bracelet each; To the train-bearers: To one a gold locket and chain, and the other a pair of gold tuff links.

## RECENT AVIATION TRAGEDY.

## BODY OF MR. R. EARNSHAW RECOVERED YESTERDAY.

## INSPECTOR BOND'S CAREFUL WATCH.

The body of Mr. Reginald Earnshaw, who met his death on Saturday, January 24th last, was recovered at 5 o'clock yesterday by Inspector Bond about 200 yards from the spot where Mr. Earnshaw was last seen after making his fatal leap with a parachute from "Felix," alleged to be a new Curtis J.N.4 plane, built by Mr. H. W. Abbott.

The discovery of the body goes to show that the unfortunate man met his death by drowning through one of his feet becoming entangled in the rope of the parachute which appears to have been heavy enough to drag Mr. Earnshaw to the bottom of the sea.

At any rate, when the body came to the surface yesterday, it became evident that Mr. Earnshaw had been enabled to free himself of the belt around his waist, but one foot was entangled in the rope attached to the parachute.

The late Mr. Earnshaw, it will be remembered, had undertaken to give an exhibition descent by parachute from an aeroplane, as part of the programme in celebration of the inauguration of the W. George Bunter in the President and Mr. H. W. Abbott managing director.

Since the day of the disaster, Inspector Bond has kept a close watch near the spot where Mr. Earnshaw was last seen, when the parachute descended into Kowloon Bay on the fatal Saturday afternoon, and at long last his patience and devotion to duty have been rewarded.

The funeral of the late Mr. Earnshaw will take place at Happy Valley Cemetery this evening, the cortege passing the monument at 5 o'clock.

Government has already ordered that a full enquiry be held.

A few days after Mr. Earnshaw met his death, Mr. W. George Bunter and Mr. H. W. Abbott left for Manila so that the holders of the enquiry will presumably have to await their return.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Mr. E. W. Hamilton committed two Chinese to the Criminal Sessions on a charge of committing an armed robbery at No. 19, Woosung Street, on January 25th. The defendants are said to have visited the house on the previous evening, remained there for the night and committed the robbery early in the morning.



## CABLES.

LATEST CABLES  
(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

## RETURN TO GOLD.

BIG FINANCIAL BATTLE MAY RESULT.

"WHAT HUMANITY PARTS WITH."

LONDON, February 5th.

The *Daily Express* forecasts that a big financial battle is coming over the question of the return to the gold standard, in which the combatants will be the Banks and City interests on the one part, and producers on the other.

The paper declares that the opposition to the gold standard is headed by the Federation of British Industries, which has formally expressed its disapproval and whose chief ally is likely to be popular opinion.

The *Daily Express* enumerates the chief objections to the gold standard:

Firstly, it will make us the economic vassal of America with its vast hoard of gold.

Secondly, the very fixity of the gold standard may operate adversely to the national interest on certain occasions.

The paper adds: "By accepting the gold standard, humanity parts with a good deal of power for grappling with and controlling the ebb and flow between prosperity and depression."

## FLOW OF GOLD STREAM.

Some indication that the gold stream may be beginning to flow back from America to Europe and elsewhere is afforded in the *Weekly Bulletin* of Messrs. Samuel Montagu, which shows that, during the week, gold valued at \$30,314,000 is announced as engaged for shipment from New York, compared to \$11,110,000 in the previous week. The former amount includes \$17,989,000 for Australia, \$17,775,000 for India, \$3,000,000 for Berlin, \$4,700,000 for Europe and the Far East, \$2,800,000 for Europe and \$1,300,000 for Holland.

## CASE OF GREEK PATRIARCH.

TURKISH PREMIER EXPLAINS TO ASSEMBLY.

"NO FOREIGN INTERVENTION."

CONSTANTINOPLE, February 5th.

Fethi Bey, Turkish Premier, in a statement to the Assembly in regard to the expulsion of the Greek Patriarch, declared Turkey had no desire to disturb the peace, but "was unable to admit foreign intervention in an affair concerning her sovereign rights and prerogatives. He added: "Should our independence be attacked, we will have immediate recourse to measures to safeguard our rights and honour; and, if necessary, shall employ force of arms. But, the Government, while maintaining a vigilant attitude hopes the nervousness of Greece will be replaced by calm."

A secret session of the Assembly followed, at which the Commission of Foreign Affairs made a statement.

## EARLIER CABLES.

## FLIGHT TO SENEGAL.

FRENCH AIRMEN FORCED TO LAND IN MAURETANIA.

BASE, February 4th.

Captain Lemaître and Lieut. Arrachard, who left Etampes on February 3rd in an effort to make a non-stop flight to Dakar in Senegal, were forced to land in Mauretania, 750 kilometres from their goal.

The aviators thus covered 4,000 kilometres, which is 50 below the record made across America.

## LATEST CABLES.

## 25 HOURS IN AIR.

PARIS, February 5th.

The aviators, Lieut. Arrachard and Capt. Lemaître, in trying to effect a direct flight from Paris to Dakar, were forced to land at Rio de Oro, about 750 kilometres from Dakar. They had covered approximately 3,600 kilometres without stop in 25 hours. *Havas.*

## EARLIER CABLES.

## SINGAPORE CONFERENCE.

ADMIRALS TO DISCUSS NAVAL AFFAIRS.

LONDON, February 4th.

In addition to the ships already mentioned, the Australian cruiser *Adelaide*, now proceeding to Australia from England, and the *Concord*, which is being lent to Australia for four months in accordance with the scheme of interchange of ships, will attend the conference of Admirals at Singapore, in which both the *Brisbane* and the *Sydney* will participate.

## OPIUM CONFERENCE.

EXHAUSTIVE DISCUSSION TO FIND FORMULA.

GENERAL, February 4th.

A committee of five representing Great Britain, France, United States, Japan and Finland held an exhaustive private discussion this morning with the object of finding a formula that will reconcile the divergence of views regarding the date from which shall run, the period of 15 years in which the use of prepared opium shall be effectively prohibited.

The committee were unable to agree, and it is understood that they will report in that sense to the joint committee of 18.

Dr. Sugimura tried hard to reconcile the Americans and the British, but all Mr. Porter would do was to concede a three years' grace, making the period 18 instead of 15 years.

The British adhered to their position.

The Finnish delegate, M. Toivola, rallied to the British view and there is now good reason to believe that neutral States which formerly supported the Americans are now going over to the other side, thus placing the Americans in the minority.

## OIL IN CAUCASUS.

ALLEGED AMERICAN OFFER MADE TO SOVIET.

PARIS, February 4th.

*Le Petit Parisien* publishes an account of an interview its Moscow correspondent has had with M. Rykoff, President of the Council of Commissars, who is reported to have stated that the Standard Oil Company of New York has proposed to the Soviet that it should buy the entire oil output in the Caucasus over a period of from three to five years.

## ELECTIONS IN EGYPT.

ZAGHUL PASHA IS NARROWLY DEFEATED.

CAIRO, February 4th.

The first degree elections were held to-day for the purpose of choosing delegates who on March 8 shall elect the members of the new Chamber.

Zaghul Pasha was defeated by one vote, but the fact that he was not elected as an elector-delegate does not necessarily mean that he will not be elected as a member.

## SHIPPING COMPANY SUED.

OCTOBER COUPONS OF ROYAL DUTCH LLOYD.

AMSTERDAM, February 4th.

The District Court decided that the Royal Dutch Lloyd will have to pay the October, 1924, coupons of those 7 per cent. bonds of which the holders had not agreed to reorganisation.

This means that the full face value must be recognised by the Company. It is most probable that there will be an appeal to a higher court.

## FOOTBALL AT HOME.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY DEFEAT LIGHT BLUES

CUP AND LEAGUE RESULTS.

LONDON, February 4th.

At Chelsea, in their annual "soccer" match, Oxford beat Cambridge by 4 goals to one.

The match had been postponed from December owing to fog, but was played to-day in glorious, Spring-like weather, before seven thousand people.

Oxford's forwards and halves were much superior to their opponents. After a quarter of an hour, Holmes scored a goal with a low shot. Seven minutes later Chadder scored; and then Holmes, meeting a perfect centre, headed in a third.

De Koven, the Cambridge right back, injured his knee, and was transferred forward.

Four minutes from the interval, Holmes headed across for Chadder to score. Oxford at half-time were thus leading by 4 to nil.

Cambridge improved, but could not score until four minutes from the close, when Capel-Slaughtner netted after a smart run.

Oxford won, as stated, by 4 to 1.

## CUP REPLAYS.

The following are results of Cup replays:—  
Everton 2; Sunderland 1; Portsmouth 0, Blackburn 0, after extra time.  
Blackpool 2, Bradford 1; Bolton 0, Spurs 1.

## LEAGUE MATCH.

In the first division of the English "soccer" League, Liverpool beat Nottingham Forest by one goal to nil.

## OLYMPIC GAMES.

NEXT FIXTURE TO BE HELD IN AMSTERDAM.

THE HAGUE, February 4th.

A Bill will shortly be introduced in the States-General providing for a grant of Fl. 1,000,000 spread over four years, 1925-1928, in four equal instalments, for the expenses of the Olympic Games at Amsterdam in 1928.

## FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

## CHINA INDEMNITY BILL.

MONEY TO BE DEVOTED PARTLY TO EDUCATION.

LONDON, February 5th.

The text has been issued to-day of the China Indemnity Application Bill, providing that any sums received after December 1st, 1925, on account of the China indemnity, shall be paid to the "China Indemnity Fund," to be devoted to educational and other purposes beneficial to the mutual interests of His Britannic Majesty's Government and the Republic of China.

A Committee of ten persons, including one woman and at least one citizen of the Republic of China will be appointed to advise the Foreign Secretary in regard to the application of the fund.

## VISCOUNT TAKAHASHI.

APPOINTED ACTING MINISTER OF JUSTICE.

TOKYO, February 5th.

Viscount Takahashi has been appointed to act as Minister of Justice. He succeeds Mr. Sennosuke Yokota, whose death took place yesterday from pneumonia.

## T.K.K. STEAMER DAMAGED.

S.S. "KOREA MARU" CRASHES INTO QUAY WALL.

TOKYO, February 4th.

The Toyo-Kisen Kaisha steamer *Korea Maru*, while docking at Yokohama yesterday afternoon, crashed against the quay wall, tearing off 12 feet of her bow plates, and also damaging the wall.

The sailing of the *Korea Maru*, therefore, is indefinitely postponed.

Four hundred and ninety-seven passengers are held up, including Ambassador Matsudaira, who was scheduled to sail by that steamer.

It is believed that the *Taiga Maru*, which is at present at Kobe, will take the place of the *Korea Maru*.

(FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN.")

## JAPANESE DIET.

THREE MEMBERS SUSPENDED FOR TWO WEEKS.

TOKYO, February 4th.

Three members of the Diet who were implicated in last night's disturbance in the Diet have been suspended for a fortnight.

## LATEST CABLES.

(REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

## MADAME SUGGIA.

PORTRAIT PRESENTED TO BRITISH NATION.

NEW YORK, February 5th.

Sir Joseph Duveen announces the purchase of Augustus John's portrait of the violinist, Madame Suggia, for presentation to the British Nation. The portrait originally was purchased by the wealthy New Yorker, Mr. W. P. Clyde. Before being sent to London, it will be exhibited at various American museums.

## THE INVINCIBLE NURMI.

FLYING FINN LOWERS SHRUBB'S RECORD.

NEW YORK, February 5th.

The "flying Finn," Nurmi, to-day broke Alfred Shrubb's record for the 4,000 yards, covering the distance in 10 minutes, 55 seconds.

## EARLIER CABLES.

## REPARATIONS PROBLEM.

SENATOR JOHNSON SCEPTICAL ABOUT RESULTS.

WASHINGTON, February 4th.

In the Senate, Mr. Johnson, referring to Mr. Secretary Hughes' communication on the reparations agreement, expressed deep concern regarding the results to be expected from this. It meant a new European policy for the United States in exchange for two and a quarter per cent. of the reparations and risked incurring Europe's hostility.

Mr. Hughes had not mentioned any reservations made by the American representatives. Mr. Johnson said he had private information that there was something of the sort, and that something might prove of controlling importance in coming years.

## HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

TEN ROTOR VESSELS ORDERED FOR CARGO TRADE.

WASHINGTON, February 4th.

The Department of Commerce learns that the Hamburg-America Line has ordered ten cargo-boats of the Fuetner type for their Hamburg-Rio Janeiro and Hamburg-East Asia routes, where it is calculated the trade winds and the monsoon conditions will enable savings to be effected of 40 and 60 per cent. in fuel on the respective routes.

## MONEY MAKES MONEY.

ROCKEFELLER AND CARNEGIE SCIONS TO WED.

NEW YORK, February 4th.

A union between two of the richest families in the world is involved in the announcement of the engagement of Mr. James Stillman Rockefeller and Miss Nancy Carnegie.

## OUR LONDON LETTER.

PASSING OF DEVONSHIRE HOUSE AS HISTORIC MANSION.

SOME PROBLEMS OF MOTOR TRAFFIC.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, December 27th.

COVERED-IN MOTOR BUSES.

During the last couple of years there have been paragraphs in the newspapers from time to time about the wisdom of running covered-in motor buses in the London streets. Some months ago one specimen vehicle was stationed in Palace Yard for inspection by Members of Parliament. The authorities in control of London traffic are proverbially slow to move, and hence the delay there has been in coming to a decision to give covered-in buses a public trial.

I now hear that as a result of exhaustive experiments and tests carried out by the Ministry of Transport and the Public Carriage Department of Scotland Yard an omnibus has been designed which is even safer than the familiar type of bus open on top.

The General Omnibus Co. have got permission to place six covered-in buses on the streets and to increase the number as new buses are completed. The design provides for a permanent roof, with windows all round, those at the sides being made to lift up and down like the windows of a railway carriage; and the top deck is ventilated by a particularly ingenious arrangement above the front windows, which are fixed.

DEVONSHIRE HOUSE, NEW STYLE.

There has been some attempt to raise public discussion and protest against the decision to erect a huge block of flats on the site of Devonshire House, the London home of the Duke of Devonshire, which was sold some months ago, affording another proof of the way heavy taxation has hit the old aristocracy of the country. Devonshire House was the town mansion of the Cavendishes for generations, and now it is to be replaced by a huge block of flats and business premises. But against the protests and criticisms that have appeared business men and even architects of eminence have declared that the new building, judging by the plans, will be a beautiful addition to the architecture of London.

The building is to be seven stories high, and will cost two and a half million pounds sterling. Thus where one duke used to live there will be hundreds of tenants. But all the same the new Devonshire House will not be the place for the poor man. The solicitors have let it be known that prospective tenants of the luxury flats in the palace that is to be are expected to pay a premium of £5,000, and the rents will be in the neighbourhood of £1,000 per annum. The ground floor level is to be used as shops.

The demolition of the old residence is proceeding apace. One cannot see the house-breakers at work without a sigh of regret. The house was one of London's landmarks. There was a certain aloofness about this great private house behind the beautiful iron gates and brick wall and courtyard in front of the massive entrance door; the position of the dwelling suggested detachment and almost indifference to the roar and rush of Piccadilly outside the boundary wall. And there was, of course, the famous garden behind the house, with shady walks and lawns and lovely trees, so that there, in the heart of London, there was a quietude and peace associated with the country.

CHANGING LONDON.

Devonshire House is not the only place where notable changes are in progress. Anyone who has not visited London for ten years would be astonished at some of the transformations. Regent Street has been practically rebuilt; the process is still going on. They are now about to demolish the well-known landmark; Swan & Edgar's corner in Piccadilly Circus. The famous business has been acquired by Messrs. Harrods, Ltd., at a fabulous price. Personally I prefer the new Regent Street to the old, though there are many who think it is the correct thing to lament the passing of Nash's design dating from the period of the Regency. The old shops were quaint little premises compared with the imposing premises that have replaced them.

Trafalgar Square is also changing. Some few years ago the Government of the Union of South Africa took over Morley's Hotel, and on other side of the Square the Union Club has given place to a great new building for the Dominion of Canada which the King and Queen are to open in June. Trafalgar Square maintains its character as "the finest site in Europe," but there are few who do not regret the disappearance of the Club, and the Hotel in favour of the Government offices.

FAMOUS IRISH PAPER.

There is regret in Fleet Street at the news that the *Freeman's Journal* has had to close down, after running for 151 years. In many respects it was a great paper; and I have no doubt that Irishmen all over the world will acknowledge the ability with which it was conducted over a long series of years. The *Freeman* was the organ of the Nationalist party and supported Parnell; afterwards it supported Sinn Féin, and by so doing fell foul of the Republicans who instituted a boycott against it. People were afraid to buy it. It also as a Sinn Féin organ earned the hatred of the "Black and Tans," who made things decidedly uncomfortable for the staff. The office were repeatedly raided, and the machinery was smashed, but somehow the paper always appeared—a wonderful tribute to the loyalty of all connected with it.

Recently there were attempts by the De Valera faction to acquire the property which for many months was in the hands of a liquidator acting on behalf of the proprietors. But this and other schemes fell through. The fate of the *Freeman's Journal* is an illustration of the peculiar character of newspaper enterprise; for here was a paper in its 162nd year of publication, whose history was the history of the Irish struggle since the latter part of the Eighteenth Century, and yet it goes under for lack of support on the part of its readers, who were either unwilling or afraid for political reasons to buy it.

## A VULGAR RETROSPECT.

Christmas week finds thoughtful people looking to the future with quiet confidence. The country is in a much better position than it was a year ago when we were in a state of confusion as to what would happen under a Socialist Government which was then apparently inevitable. People with savings are beginning to invest them again in industry instead of keeping them locked up on deposit in the banks. By almost common consent Mr. Baldwin's Government is to be trusted to follow a sane progressive policy.

## MOTOR TRAFFIC PROBLEM.

The comments that have been appearing in the Press during the last week or so would convey the impression that a Bill is on the stocks in Parliament to abolish the speed limit of 20 miles an hour imposed upon motor vehicles. But I learn that as a matter of fact no Bill exists at present, though without doubt one will be drafted in due course. The alarming number of fatal accidents that have occurred in recent months has made it imperative to overhaul the law relating to motor traffic. The Ministry of Transport is in possession of a vast amount of valuable information about the problems of the streets as a result of the labours of a Departmental Committee on this subject. This information will be quite sufficient to provide the basis of new legislation.

It is said that Colonel Ashley and his experts at the Ministry are busy getting this information into shape. But before anything is done in the House of Commons proposals will be submitted to the Cabinet. The various motor interests will also be consulted; and it is understood that hopes are entertained that a certain measure of agreement will be reached before Parliament is asked to discuss the measure. By all accounts the point on which everyone is agreed at the moment is that speed limits shall be abolished. There is a limit under the existing regulations imposing 20 miles an hour as the maximum speed for motor cars, and 12 miles an hour for buses and other heavy motors; but nobody pays any heed to this. It is a dead letter.

## THE DRIVER TO BE RESPONSIBLE.

Motorists are agreed—and the police are with them in this matter—that on certain stretches of road in the open country 50 miles an hour is not a dangerous speed for a motor car. There is no risk except to the driver and anyone who is with him. But on the other hand 10 miles an hour may be too fast in certain circumstances. The regulations in force now were framed at a time when there was a certain amount of hostility to motoring. Some better regulations are obviously needed, and I believe the new legislation will aim at placing motorists and motoring on a better footing in the eyes of the law.

One demand made in the newspapers is that in the future any one who proposes to take out a licence to drive a motor car or motor lorry shall first show proof of reasonable proficiency. To-day there is absolutely nothing to prevent the halt, the blind and the deformed from getting a driving licence on payment of five shillings. I knew a man myself, in my own circle of acquaintances, who drives his own car although he has only one arm. He lost his left arm in the war. I mention this to show how imperfect is the present system of control over motor licences. It will be to the advantage of all users of the roads when we get new rules and regulations under the authority of Parliament.

## EPIDEMIC OF BURGLARIES.

Recently London has been subjected to a series of spectacular burglaries which have defied the police. The criminals are clever and resourceful, and have been able to escape capture by the "sloughs of the law," as the old writers used to put it. The term "cat burglar" has been coined to describe the methods of the thieves engaged in raiding houses. The burglars usually gain by means of rain water pipes to window balconies or projecting ledges. Once he has climbed the burglar finds the rest easy. He smashes a window or more often he finds the window unfastened, for at a height of 40 or 50 feet above the ground level people scarcely expect a prowling cat, much less a gentleman with a jemmy.

Over £5,000 worth of valuables were taken from a couple of mansions in the neighbourhood of Park Lane this week. The average value of the goods stolen is about £2,000 or £3,000 weekly. The "Flying Squad" of Scotland Yard detectives in fast motor-cars have been on the watch since the "cat" burglaries attracted attention. Sometimes the thief leaves by the way he climbed, by the window and drain-pipe, and sometimes he walks downstairs and departs by the front door.

Things have reached such a pass, and the burglaries have grown so daring, that there is a demand in the Press for heavier sentences on criminals who are caught and convicted. In support of this demand for severe punishment the fact is recalled that it did not require many strokes of the "cat-o-nine-tails"—a terrible and terrifying weapon—to stamp out garroting which was very prevalent at one period.

(Continued on next page.)

## POLITICAL SITUATION IN CHINA.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

## DR. SUN YAT SEN.

LATEST BULLETIN STATES NO CHANGE IN CONDITION.

PEKING, February 5th.

The bulletin, issued to-day by the Peking Union Medical College, states the condition of Dr. Sun Yat Sen remains unchanged. His temperature is normal and pulse 120.

## KUOMINTANG LEADERS.

SHORTLY TO BE ENTERTAINED BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE.

PEKING, February 5th.

The Chief Executive, Tuan Chi Jui, will shortly entertain the Kuomintang Leaders with a view to explaining the objects of the Reorganisation Conference and removing misunderstandings between the Provisional Government and the Kuomintang.

## CONFERENCE TO MEET.

It is officially announced the Reorganisation Conference will meet on February 7th, when the regulations governing the procedure will be passed, and the first business meeting will take place on February 9th.

## NAVAL CHANGES.

The Cabinet Meeting to-day, resolved that Admiral Tang Shou Chuang should succeed Admiral Tu Hsi Kuei as Commander-in-Chief of the Navy. Admiral Li Ching Hai will succeed Admiral Yang Shou Chuang as Commander of the Training Squadron; Rear-Admiral Hsu Chien Ling will replace Admiral Li Ching Hai as Commander of the Second Squadron, while Admiral Chen Chi Lung will take command of the First Squadron from Admiral Chow Chou Kuei, who is relieved of his post.

The *Chinghai* reports that General Chang Hsueh Liang arrives in Tientsin to-day. Marshal Chang Tso Lin is expected to follow him to Tientsin in a few days.

## SHANGHAI ARSENAL.

CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TAKE OVER BUILDING.

SHANGHAI, February 4th.

A delegation from the Shanghai Chinese Chamber of Commerce visited the arsenal this evening, accompanied by the Minister for War from Peking, and took over the building. The ceremony was entirely without incident.

(FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN.")

MILITARY REORGANISATION TO CONFERENCE.

MEMORANDUM FOR SUBMISSION TO CONFERENCE.

PEKING, February 4th.

Tuan Chi Jui has ordered the Military Reorganisation Commission to draft a Memorandum for submission to the Reorganisation Conference, under the following heads:—(1) General provision for the disbanded troops; (2) soldier labour in the development of waste lands on the frontiers; (3) and (4) selection of highway routes and river conservancy work with the disbanded labour; (5) drafting a new military system; and (6) estimate of the total troops required for the national defence.

The above is to be submitted to the Conference as merely a technical document.

## CHINA AND SOVIET.

PEKING'S NOTE TO AMBASSADOR KARAKHAN.

PEKING, February 4th.

With reference to the Note sent by the Vichinskoy to the Soviet Ambassador, M. Karakhan, containing a warning against the high-handed policy of the Soviet Managing-Director of the Chinese Eastern Railway, it appears that the Chinese had resolved to impose a land-tax in the railway area instead of the railway tax, which entitled business concerns to have their goods shunted on to the railway without charge, but when the Chinese land-tax was imposed the railway authorities decided to charge \$5 for shunting each truck. This started a controversy, which has since been extended to other matters, in which Chang Tso Lin is mainly concerned.

## THE GIBSON GIRLS.

A lady whose face and figure were familiar to half the world some years ago is now in London, but fame is fleeting, as the philosophers tell us, and she is attracting no attention. She is Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson, the original Gibson girl, who inspired her artist husband to produce a type of female beauty which was copied all over the world, and was made the basis of several musical comedies.

Mrs. Gibson is the sister of Lady Astor, who was the first woman to be returned to the House of Commons, and sits for Sutton Division of Plymouth. I think it is not generally known that the pioneer woman M.P. is one of the three famous sisters drawn and painted so often by Dana Gibson and the American artist who followed her lead. They were all beautiful, and they created a craze for the Gibson girl of the magazine covers. Mrs. Charles Dana Gibson is staying with Lady Astor in London. H.B.



## VISITORS AT HOTELS.

**ROSEDALE HOTEL.**  
Mr. L. Adler, Mr. T. G. Aithen, Mr. W. S. Allen, Mr. & Mrs. A. W. Van Andel, Mr. C. De Angelo, Mr. G. Applebaum, Mr. A. Aubrey, Mr. & Mrs. Bagram, Mr. F. C. Bannan, Miss K. Barlow, Miss K. Barwell, Mr. & Mrs. Beale, Mrs. E. R. Bellis, Mr. V. Benjamin, Mr. J. Bennett, Mr. H. Bickerton, Mr. R. J. Bickel, Mr. M. Bland, Mr. Blankitzki, Mr. G. Bowack, Mr. A. W. Graham, Mr. T. B. Brown, Mr. H. F. Buchanan, Mr. R. C. Buxton, Mr. G. W. Buxton, Miss D. D. Campbell, Mr. D. E. Caplan, Mr. E. Carles, Mr. H. Carr, Dr. Christopherson, Mrs. Christopherson, Mr. S. Christopherson, Mr. & Mrs. W. A. Cernell, Mr. H. M. Dalrymple, Mr. & Mrs. C. E. Davies, Mr. & Mrs. B. Deacon, Capt. Dickson, Mr. R. S. Dickson, Mr. S. T. Dockray, Miss M. E. E. Ellis, Mr. & Mrs. E. E. Ellis, Miss M. Ellis, Mr. Carl E. Fox, Dr. Douglas R. Gowler, Sir George and Lady Gibb, Mr. G. H. Gilson, Mr. L. M. Gill, Dr. E. E. Gill, Mr. & Mrs. J. Gould, Dr. & Mrs. J. C. Graham, Mr. M. E. Gros, Mr. W. Hague, Capt. T. P. Hall, Mrs. J. L. Hames, Misses A. Hamilton, Mr. & Mrs. W. A. Hannibal, Mr. H. Hancock, Mr. A. Hanson, Mr. G. A. Harrison, Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. Mark Hauwa, Mr. E. Hausermann, Mr. W. D. Hawkes, Mr. H. Van Egin.

**REGENT'S BAY HOTEL.**  
Mr. & Mrs. Hannerman, Mr. & Mrs. J. Behar, and child, Miss Borgstrom, Mr. & Mrs. A. Brockett, Mr. & Mrs. A. E. A. Carleton, Dr. Douglas, Mr. & Mrs. F. C. Deking, Durn, Mr. W. L. Franklin, and his mother, Mr. & Mrs. L. H. Geare, and daughter, Mr. & Mrs. A. J. Hayin, Mr. & Mrs. H. Hayin, Mr. & Mrs. P. M. Holgson.

**FLORIDA HOTEL.**  
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## THE 9,513 BOOKS OF 1924.

## HOW MANY WILL SURVIVE?

John Blunt, the well-known contributor to the *Daily Mail*, writes:—During 1924 no fewer than 9,513 new books have been published in this country. These books represent, I suppose, the passionate convictions, the desperate hope of fortune of an army of people nearly all of whom are doomed to disappointment.

I cannot imagine what happens to all the thousands of new books, aggregating millions of copies, that appear every year, but it is quite certain that the vast majority pass away into complete oblivion within a decade. Places like the library at the British Museum must resemble an enormous graveyard of defeated ambition and wasted labour.

When one thinks of the sheer mental and physical effort involved in writing even the most ephemeral of volumes, it seems tragic that people should go to so much trouble for so little recompense. We do not hear of the innumerable failures—first, that creation, in spite of all its pains, is a joy to the creator, and, second, that the instant to create brings forth every now and again, a real jewel from amid the huge accumulation of rubbish.

The novels of this day serve their purpose and disappear, and only one in perhaps a thousand mirrors life with sufficient power and vision to become part of the country's literature. Genius is rare, fame is ephemeral, and the thought of all these thousands of books, the result of so much effort and so many hopes, that are certain to be forgotten very shortly is rather painful. It makes one realise the fleetness of everything.

Hundreds of years ago the French poet Villon wrote a line of poetry which, in a translation, has become one of the famous quotations of English verse:—"But where are the snows of yesterday?" and it seems to me that if we were living now we might very well have made the books of yesterday the subject of his melancholy reflection. "For they, too, have vanished like the snows; only, unlike the snows, they represented the beliefs, the labours, and the hopes of men and women."

Of course, I do not forget that misplaced egotism may be the cause of many books being written, but the desire for self-expression may belong equally to the dunce as to the genius, and, after all, some people who have been thought madmen have afterwards been considered prophets.

Who is to be the final judge? We must leave the decision to posterity, knowing full well that only a handful of grain will survive the close winnowing of the years.

## WEAPONS OF RACE OF GIANTS?

**FOREST OF TIGERS AND ELEPHANTS.**  
**RESEARCH IN NORFOLK.**

During the last three or four years, writes a correspondent of a London paper, Mr. Reid Moir has been carrying out archaeological researches in a remarkable deposit known as the Cromer Forest Bed. It lies at the very base of the high cliffs of the Cromer coast.

The bed is composed chiefly of layers of gravel and peat, and in its lower part contains a large quantity of roots and other parts of trees and the fossil remains of many extinct animals. In addition to these vestiges of a vanished land surface, there has now been found, by Mr. Reid Moir, a large series of massive flint implements which prove that man was present in Norfolk when the Cromer Forest Bed was being laid down.

## GOLF.

## WHAT IS A STROKE?

## COUNTING FOUR SHOTS WITH NO BALL TO HIT.

(BY R. ENDERBY HOWARD.)

Even holiday golf has its serious side. It has enabled a correspondent, writing from a seaside course, to find an entirely new form of chastisement.

He says that in his club's qualifying round for a holiday tournament he lost four strokes and a place in the semi-finals through the sheer perversity of the committee.

What happened was that at one hole he drove into a bunker. He went to that part of the hazard in which he thought his ball had lodged, and, being unable to see it, came to the conclusion that it must have buried itself in the loose sand.

A small gap in the soil at exactly the spot that he had marked down as the locale of the ball seemed to offer the solution of its disappearance, so he resolved to "explode" the sand with a mighty niblick stroke and make it disgorge the ball. Under the rules he could have scraped aside sufficient sand to enable him to see the top of the ball, but, like a lot of people, he thought that he had no right to touch anything in a hazard before playing the shot.

Four times he aimed powerful blows at the gap without producing any result beyond clouds of sand. Then a straggler on the links walked up to him with the information:—"Your ball didn't go into that part of the bunker; it went in over there"—pointing to the other end of the hazard.

Sure enough, it lay in a good position, and the player went on to return one of the leading scores. At the finish, however, the question arose as to whether he ought to count the four strokes which he had delivered at the sand where there was no ball to hit.

The committee decided in the affirmative. They based their finding on the definition:—"A stroke is the forward movement of the club made with the intention of striking the ball."

Obviously he had intended to strike it—although it was not there. This is actually the first time that anybody had played four deliberate and even heroic shots without having anything to hit.

ELECTRIC HANDICAPS.

A member of a London club draws attention to what he regards as an injustice in connection with electric competitions.

An electric competition is the kind of event which a generous captain nominates at holiday time when he wants his fellow-members to do battle for a case of carvers or some other prize he may offer. As all students of golf diversions are aware, it is a scoring affair in which everybody plays two rounds, and is allowed at the finish to choose the better score that he has made at each hole in the two rounds, the total thus obtained for his holes being his electric score.

It is a custom as old as this form of competition itself—and it is very old—to give half handicaps. The idea is that full handicaps would give undue help to the weaker players, because they do not often take their 7's and 8's at the same holes in consecutive rounds, and so have the advantage of the arrangement by which everybody chooses his better hole.

My correspondent says that this is all wrong, and seeks to prove his point by his own experience.

In the first round—which happened also to decide the monthly medal competition—he did the best score under full handicap—viz., 35 less 7, 78. In the second round he improved his figures at three holes.

But, having to halve his handicap, he found that his electric net score was 73, and so, he says, his only reward for improving at three holes and having the right of choosing the best hole was to be debited with a score half a stroke worse than his first. And so he has come to the conclusion that half handicaps in electric competitions are absurd.

—Daily Mail.

## MONTH-NAMES FOR GIRLS.

## "MAY'S" POPULARITY IN THE PEBBLE.

In preparing the new issue of "Debit," Mr. Arthur G. M. Heslridge, the editor, makes the interesting note that "all but some 25 of the existing Pebbles have either received the titles by which they are now known or have succeeded to them since the year of Queen Victoria's first Jubilee in 1837, and the same applied to all but about 150 Barons; it would therefore seem safe to say that in the period of half a century, a complete change takes place in the holders of all hereditary honours."

The same observer—who certainly must have ample opportunities for forming an opinion—remarks that to the great number named April, must now be added another fashionable month-name—"judging by the number of people who have during the past year christened their daughters 'June'."

## THE GORDONS OF RUSSIA.

The Recorder of London, Sir Ernest Wild, expressed a hope at the City of London Court recently that some day the law would prevent aliens from taking distinguished British names by deedpoll. Cordwainer, gave his name as Gordon. His counsel stated that he had taken the name in the legal way.

The Recorder: "Are you anything to do with Scotland?"

The Witness: No.

Where do you come from?—Russia.

The Recorder: "Why do they want to take these splendid old names? I think the Gordons had better call themselves something else."

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All Claims must be presented within 15 days of the Steamship's arrival here, after which date they cannot be received.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th February, 1925, will be subject to Rent.

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All Claims against the Steamship must be presented to the Underwriter on or before 9th February, 1925, or they will not be recognized.

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Hongkong, 3rd February, 1925. [1813]

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All Claims against the Steamship must be presented to the Underwriter on or before 23rd inst., or they will not be recognized.

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Hongkong, 2nd February, 1925. [1805]

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th inst., will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamship must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 19th inst., or they will not be recognized.

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All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesday and Friday between the hours of 10.45 A.M. and Noon within the free storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamship's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 10th February, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamship must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 24th February, or they will not be recognized.

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Hongkong, 4th February, 1925. [1821]

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## DEATH SENTENCE ON VAMPIRE. 21 MURDERS PROVED.

Sentence of death was passed twenty-four times on December 18th on the Hanover vampire, Fritz Haarmann. He was charged with twenty-seven murders, but the court decided that in three cases the evidence was not absolutely conclusive. Some alienists hold that even the larger number cannot possibly exhaust the full toll of his atrocious and loathsome crimes, and estimate the total as high as fifty. With the exception of a few counts, Haarmann made minutely detailed confessions, and for days the court listened to his grim narrative of how he cut up the bodies of his victims, and disposed of the fragments in various ways. He consistently repudiated the imputation of insanity, but at the same time he maintained unhesitatingly that all the murders were committed when he was in a state of trance, and unaware of what he was doing. This contention was specifically brushed aside by the bench, which in its judgment pointed out that, according to his own account of what happened, it was necessary for him to hold down his victims by hand in a peculiar way before it was possible for him to inflict the fatal bite on their throats. Such action necessarily involved some degree of deliberation and conscious purpose.

Judgment was pronounced amid a scene such as is seldom witnessed in a court of law. The police had received news that a notorious female had left another town with the avowed intention of shooting Haarmann after sentence had been pronounced, so rendering impossible a change of decision through an appeal or the prerogative of mercy. In consequence of this warning the members of the public who crowded into the court were carefully searched for arms before being admitted. But not even this precaution was considered sufficient. When the judges returned to their places to pass sentence a dozen gendarmes entered the court and took up positions in a line separating the bench and dock from the public area, and facing the latter, so that no threatening movement on the part of a spectator could pass unnoticed.

### PRISONER'S STATEMENT.

Haarmann listened to the sentence without wincing. When asked if he had anything to say, he replied: "I accept the judgment fully and without reservation, though I have been charged with several cases of which I am not guilty." The presiding judge advised him to consider carefully before he committed himself to such a declaration. To this Haarmann replied: "That has long ago been well considered." He had said very much the same in a lengthy speech which he made before the Court retired to consider its judgment. In this address he implored his judges not to send him to an asylum, of which he had had experience in his earlier days. "Condemn me to death (he said). I only ask for justice. I am not mad. It is true that I often get into a state of which I know nothing, but that is not madness. Make it short, make it soon. Deliver me from this life which is a torment. I will not petition for mercy, nor will I appeal. I have made things easy for you gentlemen; make them all, also, easy for me. I should only like to add that the police have done everything possible to clear up the affair. At first I denied, but they started rather roughly with me, and that I cannot bear. Afterwards the situation became clear to me, and it is still absolutely clear. I thank you, gentlemen." Haarmann will long present a problem for criminal psychologists. His case is not one which can be discussed in a daily paper, but it contains many very curious features. A good deal of the evidence indicated that in the ordinary affairs of life the murderer passed for a good-natured and obliging man. His relations with the Hanover police were quite intimate. Two or three members of the force had to admit that they had accepted his presents or hospitality. The greater part of his grisly narrative was delivered to the Court in a tone of cheerful complaisance. He spoke for hours of the foulest and most atrocious things without revealing the faintest trace of moral consciousness, but when he mentioned his mother his voice faltered.

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In the House of Commons recently, Mr. W. Guinness, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, said idle British shipping tonnage was less than half what it was a year ago, the decrease being from 755,000 tons to 353,000.

Dealing with the proposal to extend the Trade Facilities Act to the shipbuilding industry, Mr. Guinness suggested that shipbuilders might thereby be enabled to try new methods of construction which would not otherwise be undertaken; a hint, perhaps, of the possibility of constructing a "rotor" ship in British yards.

He drew attention to the large sums of money to be expended by the different railway companies on new work—£14,000,000 by the London, Midland, and Scottish, £21,000,000 by the Great Western, £21,000,000 by the Southern, and £7,000,000 by the London and North-Eastern.

### TROPICAL DISEASES.

After consultation with Sir Francis Newton, High Commissioner for Southern Rhodesia, and with Dr. Andrew Fleming, Medical Director for Southern Rhodesia, the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine has agreed to send out research workers to investigate diseases common to Rhodesia and to Tropical and sub-Tropical Africa. The Government of Southern Rhodesia for its part has undertaken to make a generous contribution to the school for the purposes of this research work, and to provide laboratory accommodation and equipment.

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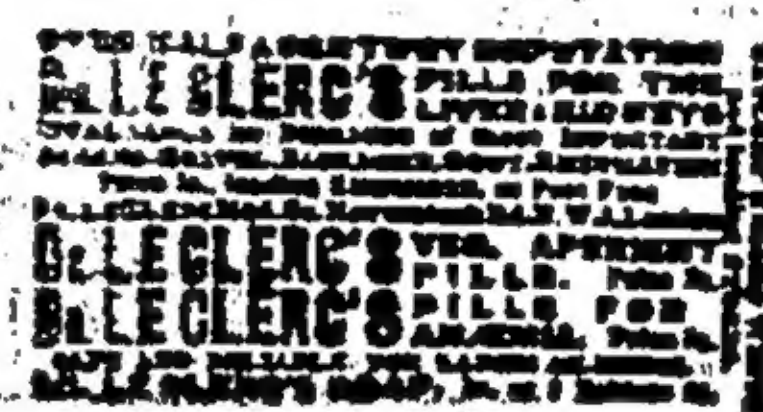
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Hakone Maru (N.Y.K.), due March 6th.  
Haruna Maru (N.Y.K.), due February 10th.  
Kashima Maru (N.Y.K.), due February 23rd.  
Muluca (P. & O.), due to-day.  
Morea (P. & O.), due to-day.  
Nanking (Swedish), due February 26th.  
President Adams (Dollar), due March 2nd.  
President McKinley (Admiral Oriental), due February 17th.  
Sato Maru (N.Y.K.), due February 10th.  
Tanda (E. & A.), due to-day.  
Tango Maru (N.Y.K.), due February 11th.  
Theeius (Blue Funnel), due March 1st.  
Tanyagata Maru (N.Y.K.), due February 21st.

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SARDAKAN	... "NAMSANG" ... Tuesday, 10th Feb., 3 p.m.	STRAITS & CALCUTTA	... "KINGSING" ... Wednesday, 11th Feb., 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "WAISHING" ... Friday, 13th Feb., 7 a.m.	SHANGHAI via SWATOW	... "FOOSHING" ... Sunday, 15th Feb., 7 a.m.
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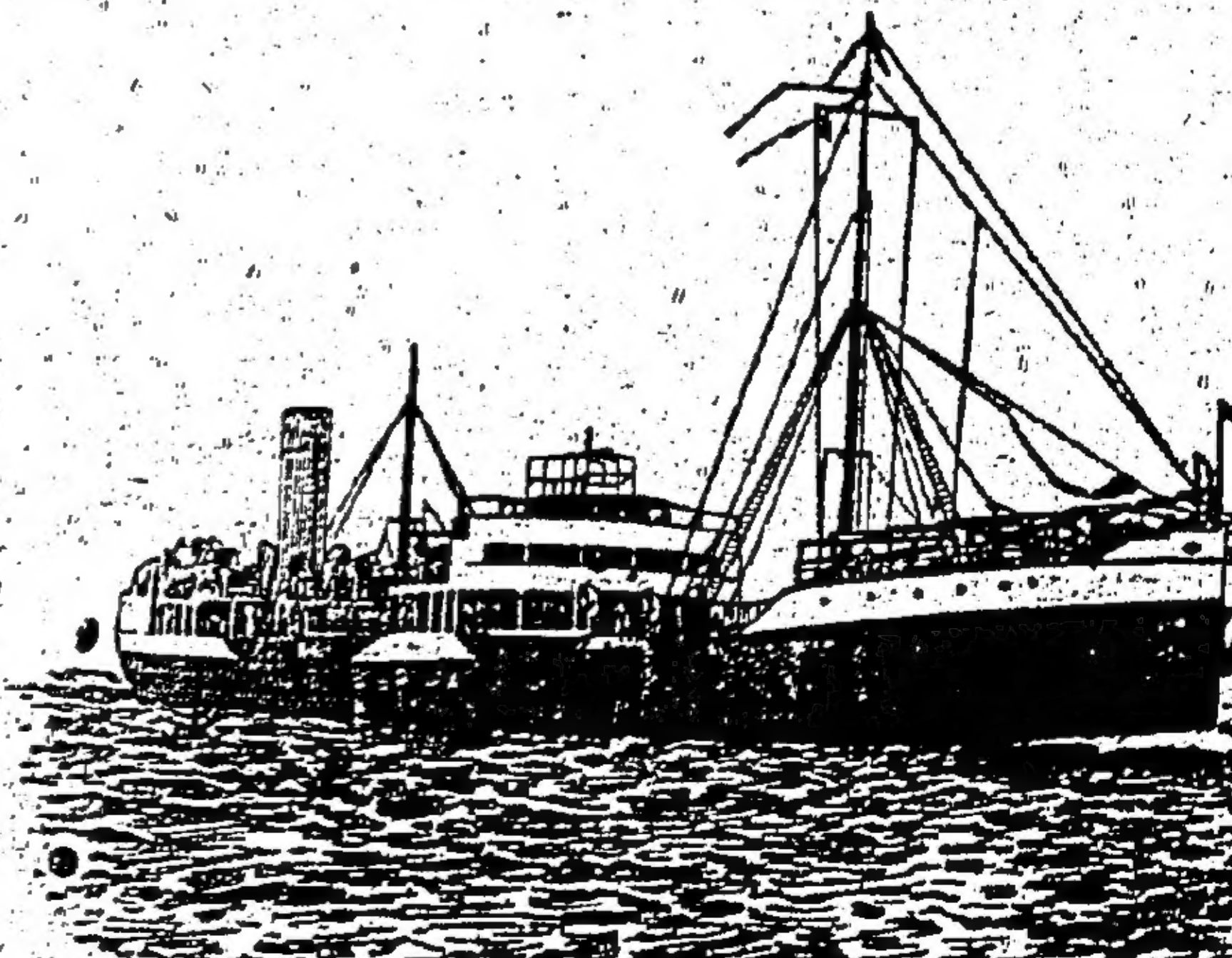
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## SHIPPING NEWS

## ARRIVALS.

January 4th.  
Hokusan Maru, Japanese str., 1,002 tons, Capt. Asakura, from Mitke, with a cargo of coal, lying at Quarry Bay.—M.B.K.

Tai Sai Mo, Chinese str., 297 tons, Capt. B. J. Nogueira, from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 102.—Yan Fat S.S. Co.

## February 5th.

Derfflinger, German str., 1,081 tons, Capt. G. Witzel, from Yokohama and Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 48.—Melchers & Co.

Gemma, Dutch str., 3,337 tons, Capt. H. Ebes, from Manila, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—J.C.J.L.

King Sany, British str., Capt. E. V. Bishop, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at West Point wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Liangchow, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. D. J. Jones, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 112.—B. & S.

Lanchow, British str., 1,400 tons, Capt. J. Pratt, from Haiphong and Hiphong, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 110.—S. S. Co.

Patricius, British str., 6,910 tons, Capt. Geo. T. Clark, from Liverpool, which port she left on January 3rd, with a general cargo, lying at Holt's wharf.—B. & S.

Perthshire, British str., 1,022 tons, Capt. G. Kiddle, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 113.—Chong Yee S.S. Co.

Portus, French str., 7,338 tons, Capt. Maloussier, from Marseille, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 11.—M.M.

Premonit, Norwegian str., 1,373 tons, Capt. N. Jensen, from Saigon, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 11.—K. Larsen & Co.

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Van Chong, Dutch str., 4,519 tons, Capt. G. Hagendijk, from Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 11.—J.C.J.L.

Vulcanus, Dutch str., from Canton, lying at A.P.C. wharf.

## CLEARANCES.

February 5th.

Anhui, for Swatow.  
Bentham, for Takao.  
Ceylon Maru, for Singapore.  
Cheung Maru, for Amoy.  
Cheung Maru, for Canton.  
Derfflinger, for Manila.  
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Gemma, for Singapore.  
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## PASSENGERS.

## ARRIVALS.

Per M.M. s.s. *Portus* on February 5th:—Mr. J. L. Durand, Mr. D. Vignaux, Mr. A. Majard, Mr. R. Bonduel, Mr. and Mrs. Chausson, Mrs. Y. Felsch, and Mr. C. N. Moller.

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## SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The s.s. *Antenor* (Blue Funnel Line), left Liverpool on January 31st for Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai, Tsingtao, Taku and Dairen, and is due to arrive here on or about March 2nd.

The s.s. *Trinius* (Blue Funnel Line), for Matseilles, London, Rotterdam and Hamburg, left Shanghai on the 4th inst. for this port, and is due to arrive here on the 7th. She will be despatched at 4 p.m. on February 9th.

## SHIPPING NOTES.

Silk forwarded from here by the s.s. *Empress of Asia* on January 8th, arrived in New York (St. John's Park) on January 31st, having been 23 days in transit.

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NEW YORK & BOSTON via SUEZ	City of Bedford	Am.	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 7th inst.
WEST COAST OF AMERICA	President Cleveland	Am.	Struthers & Barry	On 14th inst. 11 a.m.
SAN FRANCISCO, etc.	Empress Russia	Brit.	Canadian Pacific O.S. Ltd.	On 14th inst.
VICTORIA & VANCOUVER via J. PORTS	Yokohama Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 14th inst.
VICTORIA & VANCOUVER	Tatsumi	Am.	Admiral Oriental Line	On 13th inst. 5 p.m.
VICTORIA & VANCOUVER	Prosit Jackson	Brit.	Struthers & Barry	On 7th inst.
SEATTLE & VICTORIA via SHAL. KORE & YOKOHAMA	More	Brit.	Messageries Maritimes	On 15th inst.
MARSEILLES & LONDON	Chandilly	Brit.	Messageries Maritimes	On 1st Mar.
MARSEILLES & LONDON	Portus	Brit.	Messageries Maritimes	On 15th inst.
MARSEILLES & LONDON	Angkor	Brit.	Messageries Maritimes	On 23rd inst. 11 a.m.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, etc.	Haruna Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 4th Mar.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG	City of Baroda	Brit.	The Bank Line, Ltd.	On 19th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG	Protos	Brit.	Struthers & Barry	On 19th inst.
GEMMA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, BREMEN, etc.	Fulda	Brit.	Messageries Maritimes	On 5th Mar.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG	Troilus	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 17th inst.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Glenahol	Dut.	Java-China-Japan-Lijn	On 27th inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Angkor	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 10th inst. 3 p.m.
BOHAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	Ceylon Maru	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 7th inst. 1 p.m.
SEATTLE & CALCUTTA	Namsang	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 19th inst.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALUTTA	Sardinia	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 19th inst.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, etc.	Kaylan	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 12th inst.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, etc.	Van Choon	Dut.	Java-China-Japan-Lijn	On 7th inst.
SINGAPORE & BELAWAN-DEI	Venezia	Brit.	Butterfield & Swire	On 8th inst. 11 a.m.
BLINDIS, VENICE & TRIESTE	Chiang	Jap.	Yamashita Kisen Kaisha	About
SHANGHAI, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	Takewa Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 10th inst. Noon
HAIPHONG via HONGKONG & PAKHOI	Hinsang	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 18th inst.
KELING via SWATOW & AMOY	Mishima Maru	Brit.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 23rd inst.
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Tanda	Brit.	Butterfield & Swire	On 23rd inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	Taiyuan	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 11th inst.
SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA	Sado Maru	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 8th inst. 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	Tanda	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 7th inst.
MOI & KORE	Malwa	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 21st inst.
SHANGHAI, MOI & KORE	Kashgar	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	About 18th inst.
SHANGHAI, MOI & KORE	Laoconia	Ital.	Doewell & Co., Ltd.	About 23rd inst.
YOKOHAMA, SHANGHAI, KORE & MOI	Tikini	Dut.	Java-China-Japan-Lijn	On 7th Mar.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	Araura	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 21st inst.
MOI & KORE	Swan	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 10th inst. 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI, MOI & KORE	Chiang	Jap.	Yamashita Kisen Kaisha	About 14th inst.
TIENTSIN	Tijeboc	Dut.	Java-China-Japan-Lijn	On 8th inst. Noon
BATAVIA	Mingang	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 8th inst. 11 a.m.
HAIPHONG via HONGKONG	Kwangtung	Brit.	Butterfield & Swire	On 11th inst. 10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGALOR	Kwaiyang	Brit.	Butterfield & Swire	On 13th inst. 1 p.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & POKHONG	Hainan	Brit.	Doewell & Co., Ltd.	On 10th inst. 4 p.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & POKHONG	Hai-Ning	Brit.	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 13th inst. 2 p.m.
MANILA	President Pierce	Brit.	Canadian Pacific O.S. Ltd.	On 27th inst.
MANILA	Empress of Asia	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 7th inst. 3 p.m.
MANILA	Admiral Oriental Line	Am.	Admiral Oriental Line	On 13th inst.
MANILA	Struthers & Barry	Brit.	Struthers & Barry	On 23rd inst.
HAIPHONG, MANILA, Cebu & ZAMBOANGA	West Jean	Brit.	Struthers & Barry	On 23rd inst.

## WEATHER REPORT.

February 5th at 17.05.—Pressure has decreased moderately at Shanghai and slightly at the majority of other reporting stations.

The anticyclone has weakened slightly.

Moderate monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Feb. 5th 0.00 inch. Total since 0 January 1st, 4.33 inches, against an average of 1.79 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Feb. 6th is as follows:—

DISTRICT FORECAST

Hongkong to Gap Rock N.E. wind, moderate; fair.

Formosa Channel do do

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamcocks do

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan do

## HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, February 5th.

	Previous Day	On Date	On Date
	at 2 p.m.	at 8 a.m.	at 2 p.m.
Barometer	30.12	30.07	30.02
Temperature	59	58	64
Humidity	57	80	68
Wind Direction	E	E	E
Force	5	5	5
Weather	C	C	0.00
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air temperature on 4th ... 80

Lowest open-air temperature on 5th ... 57

## HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From February 6th to 12th, 1925.

High Water. Low Water.

Days of Week	Days of Month	H'kong Standard Time	Height	H'kong Standard Time	Height
Fri	6	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Satur	7	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Sun	8	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Mon	9	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Tues	10	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Wed	11	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Thurs	12	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.

## SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONGKONG.

Standard Time of the 120th Meridian.

East of Greenwich.

Date	Sunrise	Sunset
February 6th	7.00	6.15 p.m.
" 7th	6.59	6.15
" 8th	6.58	6.15
" 9th	6.57	6.15
" 10th	6.56	6.15
" 11th	6.55	6.15
" 12th	6.54	6.15
" 13th	6.53	6.15
" 14th	6.52	6.15
" 15th	6.51	6.15
" 16th	6.50	6.15
" 17th	6.49	6.15
" 18th	6.48	6.15
" 19th	6.47	6.15
" 20th	6.46	6.15
" 21st	6.45	6.15
" 22nd	6.44	6.15
" 23rd	6.43	6.15
" 24th	6.42	6.15
" 25th	6.41	6.15
" 26th	6.40	6.15
" 27th	6.39	6.15
" 28th	6.38	6.15
" 29th	6.37	6.15
" 30th	6.36	6.15



## HOME VIA CANADA

Hongkong to England.

via Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, Vancouver, Montreal &amp; Quebec.

Vessel	From Hongkong	Due	From Vancouver	Due
Empress Russia	Feb. 6	Feb. 23	Montclair	Mar. 6
Empress Australia	Feb. 20	Mar. 11	Melita	Mar. 9
Empress Asia	Mar. 6	Mar. 23	Montclair	Apr. 3
Empress Canada	Mar. 20	Apr. 6	Melita	Apr. 16

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YOKOHAMA MARU Tuesday, 27th Feb. at 11 a.m.

KAGA MARU Sunday, 15th Mar. at 11 a.m.

MARSEILLES, LONDON &amp; ANTWERP via Singapore Ports.

BARUNA MARU Wednesday, 11th Feb. at 11 a.m.

KAMO MARU Wednesday, 25th Feb.

HAMBURG via LONDON &amp; ROTTERDAM.

DURBAN MARU Tuesday, 17th March.

LIVERPOOL via ADEN &amp; MARSEILLES.

LIMA MARU Saturday, 9th Feb.

TOBA MARU Tuesday, 10th March.

STONEY &amp; MELBOURNE via Manila Ports.

MISHIMA MARU Wednesday, 18th Feb. at 11 a.m.

TANGO MARU Wednesday, 18th Mar.

NEW YORK &amp; BOSTON via PANAMA.

TAKETOYO MARU Monday, 16th Feb.

BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban &amp; Cape Town.

KAMAKURA MARU Wednesday, 4th Mar.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang &amp; Colombo.

CEYLON AMBU Friday, 8th Feb.

HELMIN MARU Wednesday, 11th Feb.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang &amp; Rangoon.

BENGAL MARU Sunday, 8th Feb.

TOMIURA MARU Thursday, 19th Feb.

NAGASAKI, KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA.

TANGO MARU Thursday, 12th Feb. at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA.

SADO MARU Wednesday, 11th Feb.

ATOTA MARU Wednesday, 11th Feb.

DELAGOA MARU Thursday, 12th Feb.

KASHIMA MARU Tuesday, 24th Feb.

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S.S. "KASENKA"	via Suez Canal	19th Mar.

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S.S. "RENEUS"	via Suez Canal	28th Feb.
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ANGKOR	29th Jan. "	29th Mar. "	15th Apr. "
FONTAINEBLEAU	12th Feb. "	12th Apr. "	15th May. "
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"DONGOLA"	8,933	8th Feb. 10 a.m.	Suez, Penang, Colombo & B'way
"BARDINIA"	8,934	19th Feb.	Suez, Penang, Colombo & B'way
"KASHMIR"	8,933	21st Feb.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
"MALWA"	10,941	7th Mar.	Marseilles & London
"JYPORE"	8,933	11th Mar.	Singapore, Penang, & Bombay
"SOUDAN"	8,933	18th Mar.	Suez, Penang, Colombo & B'way
"KASHGAR"	8,933	21st Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SICILIA"	8,933	31st Mar.	Suez, Penang, Colombo & B'way
"MANTUA"	10,933	4th Apr.	Marseilles & London
"KARMALA"	8,933	18th Apr.	Mars, L'don, & A'werp.
"MAEDONIA"	11,089	2nd May	Marseilles & London
"NAGOYA"	8,934	18th May	Marseilles & London
"SARDINIA"	8,934	18th May	Suez, Penang, Colombo & B'way
"SOUDAN"	8,933	30th May	Marseilles & London
"MOREA"	10,911	18th June	Mars, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	8,933	27th June	Marseilles & London
"MALWA"	10,941	11th July	Mars, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,933	25th July	Marseilles & London
"MANTUA"	10,933	25th July	Marseilles & London

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"TALMA"	10,000	7th Feb. 1 p.m.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TILAWA"	10,000	15th Feb.	do.
"TALAMBA"	8,013	25th Feb.	do.
"TAKIWA"	7,933	6th Mar.	do.
"TAKIWA"	7,933	22nd Mar.	do.
"TAKADA"	6,946	27th Mar.	do.

**EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)**

"TANDA"	6,958	28th Feb.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	8,000	1st April	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	29th April	do.
"TANDA"	6,958	3rd June	do.
"ARAFURA"	8,000	1st July	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	31st July	do.

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**SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN**

"MALWA"	10,941	8th Feb. 4 p.m.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"TANDA"	6,958	7th Feb. D.L.	Moji & Kobe
"TAKIWA"	7,933	15th Feb.	do.
"KASHMIR"	8,933	21st Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"SOUDAN"	8,933	21st Feb.	do.
"TAIREA"	7,933	2nd Mar.	Moji & Kobe
"SICILIA"	8,933	7th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	8,000	7th Mar.	Moji & Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,933	7th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KARMALA"	8,933	7th Mar.	Moji & Kobe.
"MAEDONIA"	11,089	21st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"NAGOYA"	8,934	3rd Apr.	do.
"SOUDAN"	8,933	4th Apr.	Moji & Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,911	17th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KALYAN"	8,933	23rd Apr.	do.
"MALWA"	10,941	1st May	do.
"TANDA"	6,958	1st May	Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	8,933	9th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"SOUDAN"	8,933	15th May	do.
"TAIREA"	7,933	29th May	Moji & Kobe.
"SICILIA"	8,933	6th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	8,000	18th June	do.
"MANTUA"	10,933	26th June	Moji & Kobe.
"KARMALA"	8,933	4th July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MAEDONIA"	11,089	10th July	do.
"NAGOYA"	8,934	24th July	do.

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

Ports	Steamers	Date of Departure
SAIGON	"CHANGHONG"	On 6th Feb. 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"YINGCHOW"	On 8th Feb. 4 p.m.
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